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JAPANESE DISASTER.

20,000 Square Miles Affected.

Premier & Ministers Missing.

NEWS OF FOREIGNERS.

Hongkong Relief Measures.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, September 5. There are no fewer than 31,135 names of dead on the Yokohama list. These include the United States Consul, Mr. Zabier Shiff (?) and Mrs. Shiff, and Mr. Hugh F. Horne, British Commercial Attaché. Those also killed included Mr. Watanabe, the Mayor, who was crushed during the collapse of the City Hall. The British and American Consulates General at Yokohama and the Consulates of all the other Powers are reported to have been destroyed.

Many foreign residents are missing. [Mr. Horne was Secretary to the British Embassy at Tokyo, but appears to have been acting at Yokohama for Sir E. Crowe, C.M.G. He was extremely popular and was a remarkably good pianist. In 1914 he was Consul at Shimonoseki. There is some doubt as to the name of the U.S. Consul, and the local Consular officials have no definite information on the subject.]

Premier and Ministers Missing.

A telegram received by the Japanese Consulate at 8 p.m. yesterday, from the Japanese Consul, Amoy, contains the following news which was received by a Japanese destroyer at that port:— On the 1st inst., the Premier, Count Yamamoto, received injuries by the collapse of the first floor of the Suikoshu (Naval Club). On the following day, after the ceremony of the installation of the new Ministers, the Premier was coming into the Suikoshu when he was suddenly assaulted by a few ruffians. He succeeded in escaping from the scene, but later owing to a tidal wave, the Premier, as well as Mr. Yamamouchi (Minister of Railways), Admiral Takarabe (Minister of Navy) and Dr. Hiranuma (Minister of Justice) were all missing. Princess Yamashina and Princes Kayo (both belong to the Imperial Family), after having received injuries, passed away at Kamakura. Prince Matsukata, one of the Genros, was also injured. A part of the district of Tokyo, namely, Akasaka, Ushigome and Koishikawa, as well as a greater part of Azabu district, are safe. Thirty thousand people were killed in the Fukagawa district. The town of Odawara was on fire for two days and nights. The city of Chiba and the town of Kisarazu (each situated not very far from Tokyo) were totally destroyed.

(Reuter's Service.)

Some of the Dead Foreigners.

Nagasaki, September 4. Prominent foreigners reported dead at Yokohama include the American Acting Consul (Mr. Kirjassoff) and wife; the American Vice Consul (Mr. Jenkes); the American Commercial Attaché (Mr. Babbitt) and family; the French Consul General (M. de Jardine); Mr. Tait and Mr. McDougall, of the Chartered Bank; Mr. L. C. Morrison, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank; Mr. Morrison, of the Mollison Company, and wife; the Rev. Father Le Babey; Drs. Reidhaer and Edwin Wheeler. The ladies killed include:—Mrs. M. E. E. Root, Mrs. Mantel, Miss Carmen Nunes, Miss Komor, Miss Kathleen Robinson, Misses Salade and Henriques.

Salvation Army Losses.

New York, September 4. Upon receipt of advices saying that the entire personnel and equipment of the salvation Army Depot in the heart of Tokyo were lost in the earthquake disaster, Salvationists announced that they are starting a five million dollar Relief Fund on behalf of the Japanese sufferers.

20,000 Square Miles Affected.

Osaka, September 4. Judging from all available reports, the disaster affected the following ten Prefectures—Tokyo, Kanagawa, Shizuoka, Chiba, Yamaguchi, Saitama, Ibaraki, Nagano, Guma and Tochigi. The total area affected was 20,000 square miles, with a total population of 15,000,000. The area includes big cities like Tokyo, Yokohama, Yokosuka and foreign tourist resorts like Yamakura, Hakone and Nikko.

Numerous Foreign Casualties.

Washington, September 4. The United States Consul at Shanghai confirms that the casualties amongst foreigners at Yokohama are very numerous.

Further Shocks.

London, September 4. An Air Ministry telegram from Limassol reports several earthquake shocks at ten o'clock last night and milder shocks at 3 a.m. and 4.30 a.m. to-day.

King George's Sympathy.

London, September 4. H.M. the King has telegraphed to Baron Hayashi his heartfelt sympathy with the Japanese nation "in the terrible devastating disaster which has befallen your country, bringing with it irreparable loss of life and property."

Prince of Wales' Enquiry.

London, September 4. Brigadier General Trotter, on behalf of the Prince of Wales, called on Baron Hayashi and expressed the Prince's heartfelt sympathy. He specially enquired for the safety of the Prince Regent.

Further British Help.

London, September 4. The British naval authorities have been instructed to render all possible assistance to the Japanese authorities.

The British Red Cross Society has cabled its deepest sympathy to the Japanese Red Cross Society and enquiring if it can help the sufferers in any way.

General Booth, of the Salvation Army, has cabled money to the Commissioner in Shanghai to start relief work in Japan.

Marquis Curzon has conveyed to Baron Hayashi the most profound sympathy of the British Government and has assured him that any help which the British Government could render would be most freely given.

Pavlova's Generosity.

London, September 4. Madame Pavlova intends to contribute the whole of the net takings of her performance at the Convent-Garden Opera House on the 13th inst. to the Japanese Earthquake Relief Fund.

Italian Cruiser to Help.

Rome, September 4. The cruiser Calabria has been ordered to proceed immediately to Japan from Shanghai to give every possible assistance to the Japanese authorities.

Disabled Soldiers' Assurance.

Brussels, September 4. The Conference of the Inter-Allied Federation of Demobilised Soldiers has passed a resolution of profound sympathy with Japan, assuring their Japanese comrades of the Federation's wish to assist them by all means in their power.

Shipping Board Vessels for Relief Duty.

Washington, September 4. It is declared at the White House that President Coolidge is determined that the Government shall put all its resources at the disposal of the Japanese authorities for the relief of victims. All the Shipping Board's vessels in Far Eastern waters have been ordered for relief duty.

The American Red Cross society is campaigning to raise five million dollars for the relief of sufferers. Subscriptions are already pouring in and cinemas and theatres throughout the country are co-operating in collecting.

A Sympathetic Note.

The *Manchester Guardian*, in an editorial comment, thinks that the devastations in Japan, if not over-stated, compare with the war devastations in France. "It seems possible that she has experienced losses of every kind still heavier than those of the Russian War, and without any corresponding enfeeblement of any country which she might be disposed to regard as a formidable neighbour. It looks as if all over and round the Pacific a consciousness of somewhat changed proportions of national strength might soon have to be felt, and with it may come some perceptible modifications of existing policies. Now is the time for the human sympathy of decent men and women in all countries to resolve that if Japan indeed has been gravely weakened, and perhaps temporarily disabled for self-assertion or even self-protection, no diplomatic advantage whatever shall be taken of her misfortune." The paper urges that Japan should be treated during any period of infirmity just as handsomely as if she were in the prime of her strength.

Russian Sympathy.

Moscow, September 4. On behalf of the Soviet Republics, M. Chicherin has sent an expression of deepest sympathy with the people and Government of Japan. The press declares that the Russian people are profoundly moved by the appalling disaster, and recalls the great famine in the Volga Provinces in 1921. The Government has instructed Vladivostok to make all possible arrangements for relief and to offer every assistance to Japanese victims of the disaster.

French Sympathy.

Paris, September 4. M. Millerand has telegraphed to the Emperor of Japan his heartfelt sympathy with the victims, adding that the whole of France feels for Japan in her cruel trial.

Mansion House Fund.

London, September 4. The Lord Mayor announces that he is opening a Mansion House Fund for the relief of Japanese sufferers.

Chinese Sympathy.

Peking, September 4. The Chinese Government is sending a representative to Shanghai to arrange with the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies for relief measures. The Government is drafting telegrams of sympathy with the Japanese Government and people in their great sorrow. The newly-appointed Charge D'Affaires has been urged to proceed to Tokyo and report to the Government.

The American cruiser squadron at Chinwangtao has been ordered to Japan with supplies. The Legations have no news regarding the safety of their nationals in Tokyo.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Casualties Amongst Foreign Staff.

On enquiry at the Colonial Secretariat, we were informed that at to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council, His Excellency the Governor will ask members to approve of a vote on behalf of the relief of victims of the disaster. The amount has not yet been definitely settled.

A Hongkong Fund.

We are informed by Mr. D. K. Blair that the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce is taking up the question of a Relief Fund as well as the supply of food, medical comforts, etc. For these purposes, a Committee of four representatives of the Chamber, four of the Chinese Chamber and four from the Japanese community will work in conjunction. It is probable that a first shipment of rice will be sent off by

the Empress of Asia to-morrow, and medical supplies as well if possible.

As yet, the movement has only been agreed on on broad lines, but an effort will be made to render every possible assistance, and the Committee will probably meet this afternoon.

Bank Staffs.

A call at the various banks possessing branches in the devastated cities brought very little information regarding the extent of the casualties amongst the foreign communities. The American Express stated to-day that they had received a wire from their Shanghai office giving information contained in a message from Kobe that the staff of the American Express office at Yokohama are all safe and are taking refuge in the Empress of Australia. The wire also included an intimation that Yokohama was totally destroyed.

The Manager of the Chartered Bank informs us that he has this afternoon received the following telegram from the Kobe office:—"A. H. Tait, Mrs. H. R. Nichol and child killed outright; remainder reported safe. First refugees (of the Bank's staff) arrived to-day, report Yokohama entirely destroyed; no buildings standing; fire raging; heavy mortality amongst Europeans. Business conditions here quiet; no panic." The Chartered Bank's European staff at Yokohama, we are informed, consisted of nine members.

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Butterfield & Swire's Staff. The first definite news from Kobe concerning Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's Yokohama staff was wired yesterday, and reached Hongkong late in the evening. The cable, from the Kobe office, reads:—"The Yokohama staff has arrived on board the s.s. Lycaon to-day at 9 a.m., except Mr. McLean, and nothing is known as to his whereabouts at present. Yokohama is destroyed, and the office (there) is destroyed. There have been saved three launches and some lighters, more or less damaged. Business is impossible."

Jardine's Staff. Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., have received a telegram to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. Lanning arrived safely at Kobe aboard the P. and O. liner Dongola, whilst Mr. Bugbird (agent), Mrs. Bugbird, Mr. and Mrs. Bell are safe on ships in Yokohama Harbour. Only one member of the Yokohama staff is unaccounted for, and this is Mons. Viel.

Majority of Europeans Safe.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company, in reply to enquiries, has received a cable from Kobe stating that the Company's Yokohama staff are all safe. The message adds that cargo must not be accepted for Yokohama at present, and that passengers for that port are being landed at Kobe. It is further stated that the majority of the Europeans at Yokohama are safe, and the survivors are being sent to Kobe. There is no information regarding Tokyo.

Union Staff Safe.

A telegram has been received from the Kobe office of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., that all the European Staff at Yokohama, namely, Mr. M. H. Ivy and family, Mr. E. C. Hudson and Mr. M. B. Lake, are safe and proceeding to Kobe by the Empress of Canada. No news has yet been obtainable of the Society's Tokyo branch, or staff.

Other News.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship Company have received a wireless message through the naval authorities to the effect that the Empress of Canada has wounded aboard. She is proceeding to Kobe and Shanghai. There is no news of the staff or of the Empress of Australia.

The U. S. Consulate here has received no news either from Tokyo or Yokohama.

The P. and O. Company have received a telegram from Kobe to the effect that a wireless message has been received from the s.s. Dongola, stating that she would arrive at Kobe yesterday morning. The message adds that the ship and crew are all safe. There is as yet no news of the Company's staff ashore.

The Standard Oil Company has no news regarding its staff at Yokohama, which includes somewhere about twenty Americans. Messrs. M.B.K. and Y.K.K. have not received further news.

It is believed in these offices that the number of ships available for relief is quite sufficient to meet all needs, and the necessity has not yet been indicated of sending vessels engaged in local trade for this work.

This afternoon, the M.B.K. had news that none of the staff at the head office in Tokyo are missing but in Yokohama there are six not accounted for. The structures of the buildings in both places are standing, but the interiors have been burnt out.

Naval Help.

A representative of this paper who called on the Naval Secretary to-day learned that the only British warship which it is definitely known has been sent to Yokohama to render assistance is H.M.S. Despatch. The Naval Commander-in-Chief is, of course,

in charge of affairs and will no doubt make his own arrangements. He is in North China at present. No messages have yet been received from the Despatch, and none are expected during daylight owing to atmospheric effects on wireless over long distances in this region.

N.Y.K. Losses.

A wire received by the N.Y.K. from its Kobe office states that an eye-witness reported that the Yokohama office had collapsed in conjunction with other buildings, and that those persons who endeavoured to escape on lighters were likely to share the same fate as those on land. Evidently this has reference to the tidal wave which set in at Yokohama after the earthquake.

A second telegram received from Osaka by the same Company corroborated the first message, with the additional information that several members of the Yokohama staff were on summer vacation from Yokohama and were presumably safe from the fate which befell the other members. The message also stated that a service had been initiated by the Company between Kobe and Yokohama for relief of the staff and others.

We learn that the various foreign steamship companies have organized a special service similar to that started by the N.Y.K. between Kobe and the stricken city for relief work among the refugees.

American Help.

Messrs. Arnold and Co., agents for the Colombia Pacific Shipping Company, received the following telegram yesterday:—"The American Association of Kobe earnestly appeal to the Americans of Hongkong to assist in raising relief funds for thousands of destitute in Yokohama and Tokyo. (Sd.) J. F. Buckley, Vice President. The American Consul General in Hongkong, Mr. W. H. Gale, and Mr. W. B. Walker have signed this appeal for funds. Subscriptions should be made payable to Mr. F. D. Tracy, of the local office of the Standard Oil Company of New York, who has agreed to act as honorary treasurer of the fund."

Nearly \$2,000 has already been remitted, and it is hoped that those who have not assisted will give their support to the fund. While the appeal has been made to the Americans of Hongkong, the Committee will gratefully receive subscriptions from others and forward same.

Bank Man Killed.

A cable from Kobe, received via Shanghai this morning by the Chief Manager, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, reports that all staff are now accounted for, and the only member who has lost his life is Mr. Morrison. The Yokohama manager's family is safe. The members of the staff are gradually drifting into Kobe. The Bank premises at Yokohama have been completely demolished.

News from Shanghai.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Sept. 4. A special despatch to the *Eastern News* Agency from Osaka to the *Asahi* reports that the Tokio damage amounted to half a billion Yen. The Osaka-Tokio telegraph has been restored.

Latest messages estimate the loss of life at a minimum of one hundred and fifty thousand in Tokyo alone. Tokio is still burning. The Ichigaya prison is afire and seventeen hundred convicts had to be released.

The Nihon Dempo service published an unconfirmed report that Oshima Island, the largest of the Izu group, has suddenly sunk. All the population it is feared are drowned.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobitt and four unknown foreigners are reported by the British Consul as killed in Yokohama. A telegram to the American Express Company here says that six employees in the Yokohama branch are safe on the Empress boat.

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AN APPEAL.

Yesterday and to-day, representatives of this paper have been busy gathering information from various firms about the disaster in Japan, as far as it affects foreigners comprising the staffs of these concerns.

To-day we had a very pleasant surprise, when one firm, which we would not have thought of calling on in the ordinary course of our enquiries, sent us a copy of an important cable they had received.

The question of whether or not staffs of firms in Japan are safe is of concern, not only to the businesses themselves but also to the whole community, to whom news of those affected means news of personal friends, or even relatives. We therefore ask any firms and individuals who receive information of this nature to notify us of same. We shall be grateful for any such items of news, and those who send them to us will be doing a service also to the general public.

CANTON OUTLOOK.

Yunnanese Join Northerners.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Sept. 4. It was reported here yesterday that the Northern troops have occupied Shuiwan without any resistance from the Yunnanese, who it is said have since joined the Northerners.

A significant thing happened last night. General Yeung Hai-min shifted his headquarters to the East Bund.

The impressing of coolies is now worse than ever.

Chan King-ming is steadily advancing on Sheklung.

It is not expected that the northern troops will advance any further than Yingtak.

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News in To-Day's New Advertisements.

The Promenade Concert at the H.K.V.D.C. Headquarters will take place on the 15th inst.—Page 4.

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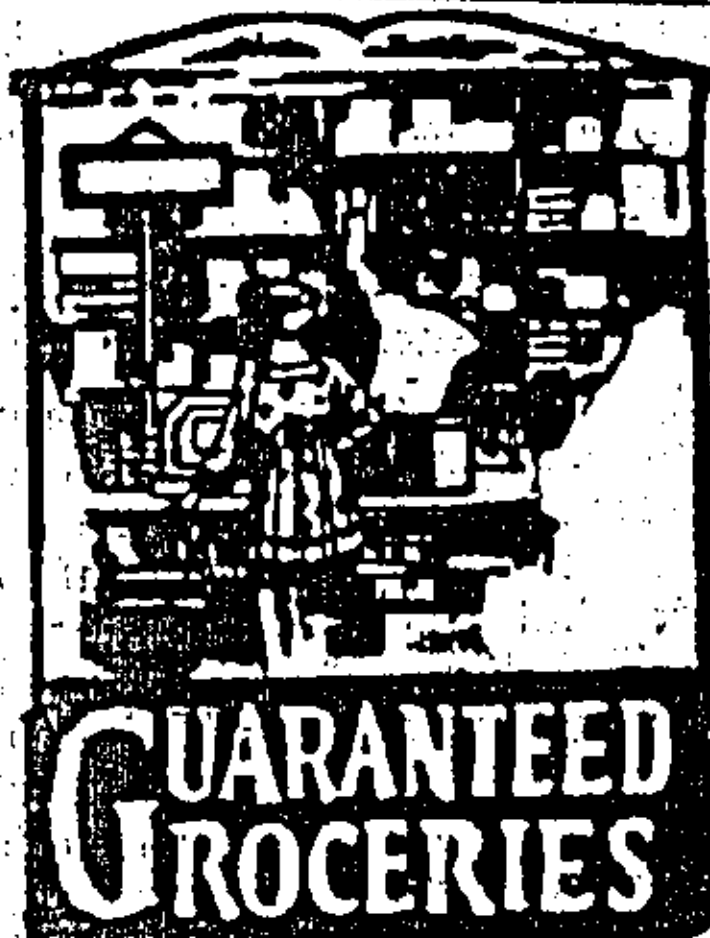
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

JAPAN'S CATASTROPHE.

Kobe, Sept. 4.
Foreign refugees from Yokohama arriving here have reported that over a hundred foreign residents of Yokohama perished. The British and American consuls are believed to be among the dead.
First Photographs Published.

Osaka, Sept. 4.
The island of Oshima, off Idzu peninsula, has disappeared. The first photographs of the Tokyo disasters have arrived. The Osaka Asahi has issued an extra containing these photographs which depict the terrible destruction and the destitute refugees. One picture shows the Tokyo Observatory standing amid smoke and debris, its big clock outside stopping at 11.53.

A member of the staff of the Tokyo Asahi walked and motored halfway and finally arrived at Osaka by rail. His observations en route indicate that the damage by earthquake outside Tokyo and Yokohama is also of the most terrible nature. One old woman emerged from a shattered house and rushing up to him, most anxiously enquired, "What has become of my boy who was in Tokyo?"

Half a Million Casualties.

San Francisco, Sept. 4.
A wireless message from Tomoka states that the police in Tokyo estimate the casualties from the earthquake and fire to be half a million.

Effect on Money and Insurance Markets.

London, Sept. 4.
The markets are weak in tendency owing to the Japanese disaster and the Italo-Greek crisis. Japanese securities yesterday were not very seriously affected owing to the inadequacy of information in regard to the extent of the damage. Pending further information jobbers marked prices of Japanese bonds down one to two points and discouraged dealings. Tokyo Electric Light bonds and Tokyo Municipality bonds showed the heaviest falls, namely 6% and 3 points. Although the liability of insurance companies is limited by the clause excluding earthquakes the London market is likely to be considerably interested financially. For example, certain buildings in Japan are specially covered against risk of damage by earthquake, chiefly the Grand Hotel, Yokohama, which is understood to be specially insured for £115,000 sterling and the Yokohama United Club for £80,000 sterling. The total of such insurance is estimated at a quarter of a million sterling at a premium of one per cent. per annum. There were numerous inquiries yesterday for further insurances of this kind and a rate of two per cent. per annum was quoted. Marine insurance underwriters are anxious for news with regard to the extent of their financial interests.

Eyewitnesses' Tales.

Osaka, Sept. 4.
Eyewitnesses' stories from Tokyo state that many refugees died from the great heat which registered at one time one hundred and fifty degrees Fahrenheit on account of the conflagration. The sufferings of millions of refugees east of Shidzuoka has been aggravated by torrential rains since Sunday evening. Scores of thousands of Tokyo citizens took refuge toward the river Sumida. Some frenzied men and women, hungry and fatigued, went mad and threw themselves into the river where innumerable dead bodies are floating. Tens of thousands assembled in Uyeno park, presenting a pitiable scene, the aged and sick being trampled to death or dying.
Ryogoku Bashi, a bridge across the Sumida river, was seriously damaged and later collapsed under the weight of a thousand refugees, the majority of whom were precipitated into the river and drowned. Another well-known bridge over the same river also gave way and about three thousand persons were flung into the river.
Another eyewitness from Hakone says that not a single house stands in Miyashita, including the Fujiya Hotel. An explosion took place at Kowakidani.

Food Riots.

San Francisco, Sept. 4.
A wireless from Iwaki station reports that food riots have broken out in Tokyo. Gendarmes are strenuously suppressing them, using their swords.

The Nagasaki Relief Bureau announces that the Tokyo casualties number one hundred and thirty thousand.

Pagoda Survives.

Nagasaki, Sept. 4.
The Prince Regent summoned Premier Yamamoto and gave one hundred million yen for relief. The Regent expressed the greatest concern over the sufferings of the people and instructed the Government to unite in an effort to alleviate the suffering.
A number of members of the Royal family are reported to have died or been injured. Prince Shimadzu is also reported to have died.

Relief funds are being rapidly gathered everywhere, including one from Kobe foreign residents of fifty thousand yen which was raised in a few hours.

While all structures which modern architecture has built have collapsed, the pagoda in Uyeno Park, which is about the only remnant of ancient architecture in Japan, is reported to be intact.

British Sympathy.

London, Sept. 4.
Appeals for funds to alleviate the distress in Japan are published in the newspapers through the fund administered jointly by the Japan Society and the Japanese Association.

The Morning Post says the British people offer deepest sympathy and assurance of their earnest desire to co-operate in the alleviation of the suffering.

The Daily Telegraph does not doubt that generous help will be given to Japan in the sudden and grievous calamity, for misfortune is the true test of friendship.

The Daily News says: We are too far away to help immediately but if the West can help it will do so unstintingly.

The Daily Chronicle says: When the need is gauged the response of the British public will be swift and generous.

A message from Rome says the Pope has transmitted his deepest regrets to Tokyo.

Peking, Sept. 4.
The American Legation on Sunday sent a wireless to the Commander of the American Asiatic Squadron, now summering at Dairen, informing him of the catastrophe in Japan. The destroyer unit steamed immediately for Japan with medical supplies, the Admiral following later in the flagship.

Nagasaki, Sept. 4.
The Japanese people are grateful for the expressions of sympathy from King George to Emperor Yoshihito and Signor Mussolini to Mr. Yamamoto. They also appreciate the kindly sentiment of the British and American Press.

CHINA TEA SHARES.

London, Sept. 4.
Dealing with the increased imports of China tea which in the three months ending 31st August were double those of the same period last year, the Daily Telegraph city editor warns the closest scrutiny before buying tea shares for investment. He says that while normal prices will probably be maintained for the present season there are indications that high retail prices will considerably check consumption. He opines that China will presently be able, notwithstanding preference, to supply many millions pounds of good tea at lower prices than Indian and Ceylon, but shares which are at present yielding ten per cent., would return only two to three per cent. upon the return of normal markets.

CHINESE CHAMBER MEET.

Firearms Ordinance.

The monthly meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Li Po-Kwai, Chairman, presiding. Before the agenda was dealt with reference was made by the Chairman to the recent disastrous typhoon in Hongkong and the earthquake catastrophe in Japan. On the invitation of the Chairman the meeting stood up for a few minutes as an expression of sympathy for the relatives of those who perished in the two disasters.

Apologies of the new amendment of the Arms Ordinance the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotelwall said it would not be out of place to give a reminder of the indulgence of the Government in giving one week or ten days' time to persons possessing unlicensed firearms to surrender their weapons at the nearest police station. As mentioned by His Excellency, the Governor at the last meeting of the Legislative Council, owners of arms would not be subjected to the least embarrassment by having to answer questions as to the length of time they had had their weapons, etc. The amended Ordinance would be rigidly enforced after the prescribed period had expired and he hoped all Chinese with firearms in their custody would take full advantage of the warning.

Mr. Ip Lan-chuen asked if the Ordinance covered daggers.

Mr. Kotelwall replied that he thought lethal weapons of all descriptions would come under the Ordinance, but he was not sure without reference to the Ordinance.

It was decided by the meeting that letters be sent from the Chamber to Chinese Chambers of Commerce in various parts of the world, all parts having Chinese residents and to Chinese Consuls warning them against carrying firearms through Hongkong without permits. The desirability was mentioned of summarising the salient features of the amended Ordinance and incorporating same in notices now being posted on American liners about the requirements of the Hongkong law.

Outrageous Demand.

Mention was made by the Chairman of a letter concerning the wage dispute of the tub and barrel makers. The letter was sent in by the employers and applied for the good offices of the Chamber to effect a settlement.

It was stated by Mr. Ip Lan-chuen that a deadlock had been reached on account of the excessive demand of

the workers. The men asked that their pay be raised from 30 cents to 70 cents a day, an increase which the employers could and would not give as they considered such a demand unreasonable and outrageous. In view of the inflexible mood of the employers he (Mr. Ip Lan-chuen) explained to the workers that if they persisted in their demand mediation on the part of the Chamber would be only a waste of time. The tub and barrel makers agreed to consider a modification of their application.

Life-saving Apparatus.

The chairman said a Chinese resident had written to the Chamber advocating the introduction of life-saving apparatus for use during a typhoon. In view of the discouraging manner in which the suggestions of the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock were received the Chairman thought the letter should be temporarily "pigeon-holed" until further developments in connection with the subject had occurred.

A Firewood Dealer's Woes.

Dealing with a communication from the Firewood Dealers' Guild regarding the seizure by the military of a large cargo of firewood at Kwongmoon recently, it was stated by the Secretary (Mr. Ip Lan-chuen) that when about 60,000 slings of firewood shipped from Hongkong were seized by "soldiers" who commandeered the junks and kidnapped the crew, the shipper, through his agents at Kwongmoon where the incident took place, opened negotiations with the soldiery to secure the release of his junks and cargo. Despite the payment of \$1,200 the junks were taken away to Macao with members of the crews on board. With untiring zeal the agents of the shipper followed the junks to Macao and when the vessels were seized by the Customs officers there on account of a breach of the import requirements, an application was immediately made by them for the return of the junks. They failed to establish their claim, however, and the cargo of firewood was still detained at Macao. Mr. Ip Lan-chuen added that at Macao it was discovered they were not soldiers as they claimed to be but were merely impostors.

The meeting agreed on the suggestion of the Secretary that the Firewood Dealers' Guild approach the Secretary for Chinese Affairs on the matter.

The Chairman asked the meeting whether, in view of the irregular supplies of firewood from the West River and the steadily increasing prices, the Government should be asked to help in maintaining regular shipments to Hongkong for

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CANTON FISH TAX.

No Supplies for Hongkong.

For the past few days no fresh water fish has arrived from Canton for the Hongkong markets, the stoppage being due to a new tax sanctioned by the Canton Government, under which fifty cents are levied on every picul of fish. The tax applies to imports as well as exports and consequently shipments of fish to Canton from Hongkong have also temporarily stopped.

This is a new tax collected by a syndicate with the sanction of the Government, which was granted in consideration of payment of a sum of \$65,000 for the monopoly. With the source of supply at Canton stopped, Hongkong fishermen are dependent upon supplies from Shekhi and Kwongmoon, but exports from these places are very limited and all stall holders of the various markets have suffered more or less. Normally Shekhi and Kwongmoon supply less than twenty percent of Hongkong's needs, the bulk of the "goods" being sent down from Canton by the afternoon steamers. Eighty stalls which sell exclusively freshwater fish have suffered. As a result of the stoppage of supplies about one hundred coolies employed by the Fishmongers' Guild to take delivery of shipments from Canton steamers have been thrown out of work, and the losses which stall holders may be subjected in the event the stoppage is prolonged can be imagined from the fact that they have to maintain the hundred odd coolies even when their business is considerably curtailed as is the case at the present time.

Fresh water fish being chiefly favoured by Chinese the foreign community will not be much affected by the stoppage of supplies, except perhaps, if the stoppage continues, they may have to pay a little more than the normal prices for the catches of our fishermen on account of the increased demand brought about by the abnormal circumstances.

At yesterday's meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce Mr. Li Po-kwai (the Chairman) referred to a letter from the Fishmongers' Guild which asked the Chamber to help them to secure the abolition of the tax.

The Chairman said very little could be done as the new tax had already been enforced. However, the Secretary would write to the Civil Governor of Canton setting forth the arguments of the fish mongers for abolition of the tax.

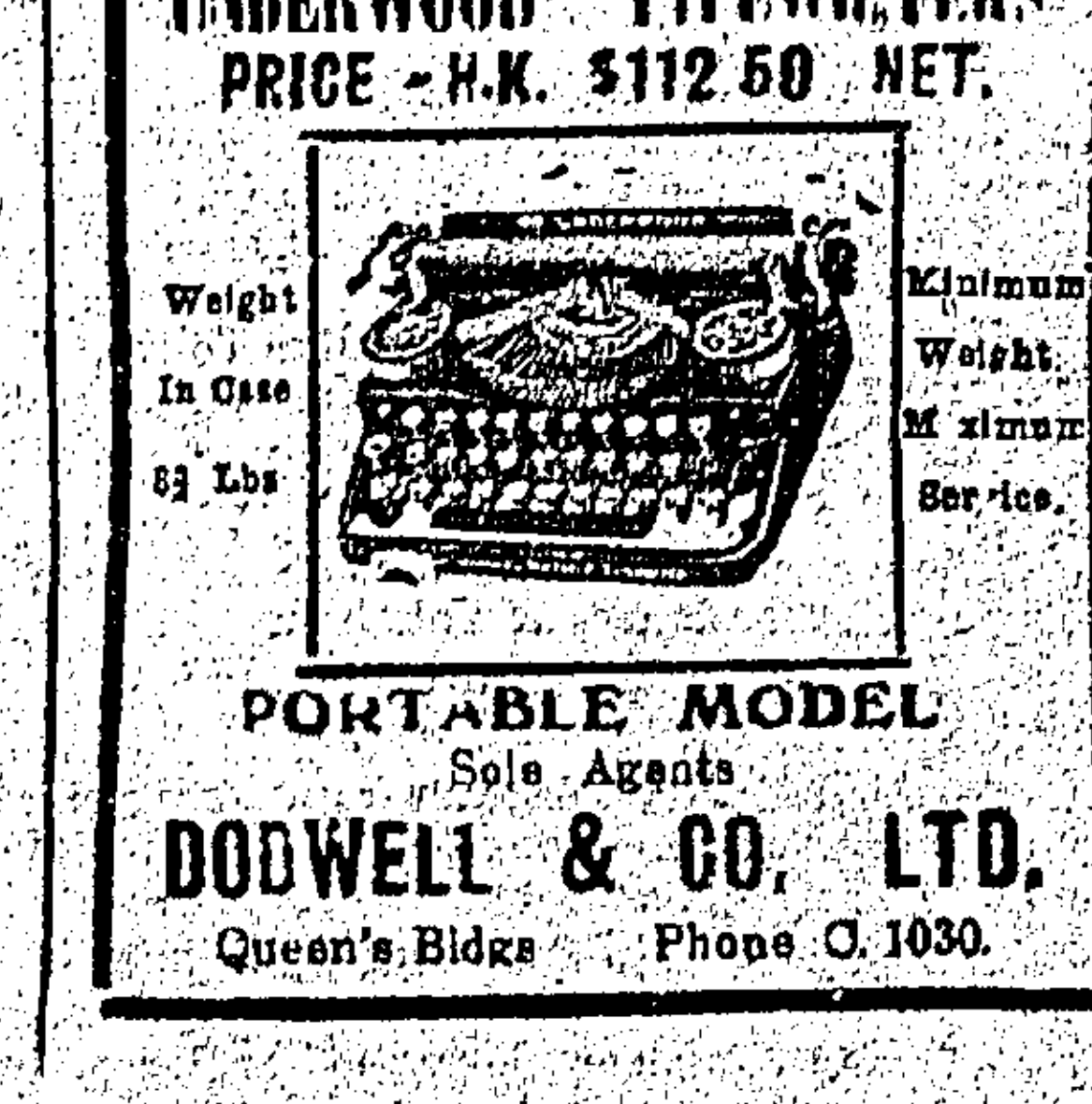
the benefit of the Chinese community.

It was stated by several speakers that the typhoon might possibly have aggravated the shortage in the last two weeks. They suggested that the Chamber defer action for a time to see if there is an improvement in the course of the week.

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BULLFIGHTING.

Decadent Art in Spain.

A recent telegram from Madrid stated that the bull-fighting season had opened with a series of strikes, lock-outs, and boycotts. The Times Madrid correspondent contributes an article on the artistic and economic crisis through which bullfighting is passing.

The national fiesta of bullfighting, like other beloved traditions in Spain, is passing through a crisis which has two distinct aspects, the artistic and the economic.

The Englishman who wrote nearly a decade ago in *The Times* (Seville, April 14, 1914) that bullfighters as men "are undoubtedly magnificent, and their splendid trappings are none too fine for their admirable bodies." Fine citizens for a State, these, of whom any country might well be proud; hard trained men, with brains packed in ice, and nerves, eyes, and muscles all working surely and harmoniously, would be a rack by the difference in physique of the torero of to-day. Bullfighting's consumption, a disease which is better described than explained, brings men to the ring who have not the strength to carry the weight of the gold embroidery on the classic traje de cañeros, and who adorn their coats with paint instead of gold and silver braid.

All who have come into touch with toreros will know what a part superstition plays in their lives; and, indeed, it would seem that mala sombra, the Black Shadow, has pursued the fiesta of recent years, depriving it of Josecito, the Pope-King of toreros, killed at Talavera in 1920, and of Varela and Grauer, killed during 1922. The golden lure took Belmonte, the Colossus, to America and gave him in a couple of seasons the fortune that is one of the greatest inducements to the career of a torero, as well as the greatest enemy of la Afición (the sport) when attained, for once a bullfighter has made his wealth and his family generally make good first claims upon his life. Now Sanchez Megias has retired. Before cutting off his pigtail (the ceremony by which a torero closes his career) he killed, alone, in one fight, seven Salamanca bulls. To kill three bulls is considered a full day's work. And the style and art exhibited by Josecito's brother-in-law, that "bleak autumnal day, in the provincial ring at Avila, demonstrated that a great torero was retiring at the height of his faculties. A statement Sanchez Megias made throws much light on the present state of affairs; "I feel lonely and out of place," he said, "at a festival into which I threw the full fervour of my soul and the stress of my body. I am discouraged in the unequal struggle in which the least dangerous enemy is the toro!"

RIVALRY OF FOOTBALL.

The adversaries of bullfighting (and there are some in Spain) affect to see in the rapid favour which football has found of recent years a displacement of public sympathy towards a less sanguinary sport. Even in Seville, the home of tauromachy, football is scoring, and this year in the programme of the famous Fair the hitherto most important events, the three great bullfights, have been put back a day to make way for a football match, an insult la Afición is not likely to forget. What the issue of the struggle may be only time can tell. It is certain, however, that the bullfight will not succumb without a gallant struggle. Its roots cling too deeply round the Spanish heart. The brave show of the cuadrilla (team), as it marches into the ring to the trumpets and disperses to its stations; the hush that precedes the uncontrollable shout that accompanies the bound the free bull makes into the arena; the statuesque attitudes of each and all of the toreros, the peon (pawn, or assistant) with his cloak, the picador (pike man) on horseback, the banderillero (dartman); the supreme ordeal of the espada (the sword)—that is to say, the chief matador, killer as the "hour of truth" draws near, when there can be no pretence, and only agility and courage, aided by science, can avert a tragedy, overcome brute force, and make the enemy bite the dust; all these diverse aspects of the fight that is also an incomparable spectacle appeal too strongly to the emotions of the full-blooded nature child the Spaniard still is for their spell to pass even in a generation.

ORUETTES OF THE BING.
Like all sports that have become industrialized bullfighting is

paying its tribute to trade unionism; or Sindicalismo as it is called in Spain. Unions of darters, pikemen, and peons have fought for rises in salaries, no vigorously that the old fashioned composition of a cuadrilla in which the matador collected a group of trusty retainers who travelled everywhere with him, very often for many seasons, has been destroyed. Now the syndicates govern the conditions in the ring even to the point of forbidding its use to a successful troupe of comic toreros who perform amusing stunts of all sorts on animals that are little more than calves.

The years go by and one waits in vain for some practical expression of public commiseration or condemnation of the great cruelties practised in the ring that might be mitigated without detriment to the sport. However brilliant the performance, the sight of the horses, disembowelled or otherwise terribly wounded, careering across the arena must always be loathsome and disgusting. The best solution of the problem would appear to be a return to the ancient custom of giving the picador a serviceable mount, protected by a modern quilted coat. The bull must be chastised by the pike to get him into condition for the other passes of the game, but the pike should meet the bull's shoulder before his horns touch the horse, and the picador should not, as is now the case, throw the horse as it were on to the bull's horns before bringing his pike into play.

PURE SAVAGERY.
Burning the bull is another practice that is pure savagery. If a bull is too tame to be run he should be removed by oxen (cabestros) and another substituted. Instead, for reasons of economy, he is ordered to be fired (foguedo). This consists in darts being placed in his shoulders containing an inflammable paste, which is ignited by the action of pushing the darts home. This paste, burning fiercely, flows over the bull's already lacerated shoulders, grilling the flesh. These banderillas de fuego take a couple of minutes to burn out, minutes of intense agony for the bull, who writhes and twists, shrieking rather than bellowing under the torture. Just

as a coward by nature cannot be driven to show courage, a bull that has not the true fighting instinct cannot be driven to bravery, and the remainder of the "fight" until such an animal is eventually killed is usually dreary, uninteresting butchery, during which the crowd keep up a steady stream of invective and abuse of the bull and his ancestry.

WARDER'S DEATH.

Funeral Yesterday.

Warder Craigie, of Victoria Gaol, who was injured in a fall from the second floor of the quarters at Wyndham Street, died at the Government Civil Hospital shortly after one o'clock on Monday afternoon. The funeral took place yesterday, the cortege passing the Monument, at 4.30 p.m. The following is a list of floral tributes laid upon the grave: With Deepest Sympathy from R.W.M. Office, Beaters and Brethren of Lodge "Albert" No. 489 S. C. Lochee; With Deepest Sympathy from Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Franks; E.A.S.M.A., 1914 1918; European Officers Mess, Victoria Gaol; Dr. A. R. Ester, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McLeod, Members Police Recreation Club, Members Royal Naval Dockyard Police, European Officers Mess, Lai Chi Kok Branch Prison; From Revenue Officers. With Deepest Sympathy from Tum, Yamah Police Station, Shaikwan Police Station, the Sikh Staff, the Mounted Staff, the Clerical Staff Victoria Gaol, and many others.

A PEER'S DEATH.

The *London Gazette* announces that a receiving order in bankruptcy, on a creditors' petition, has been made in the case of Lord Bateman, of Shobdon Court, Shobdon, Herefordshire. This announcement adds that he is "at present believed to be residing at Hotel de France, Rue Sainte Honore, Paris, a domiciled Englishman."

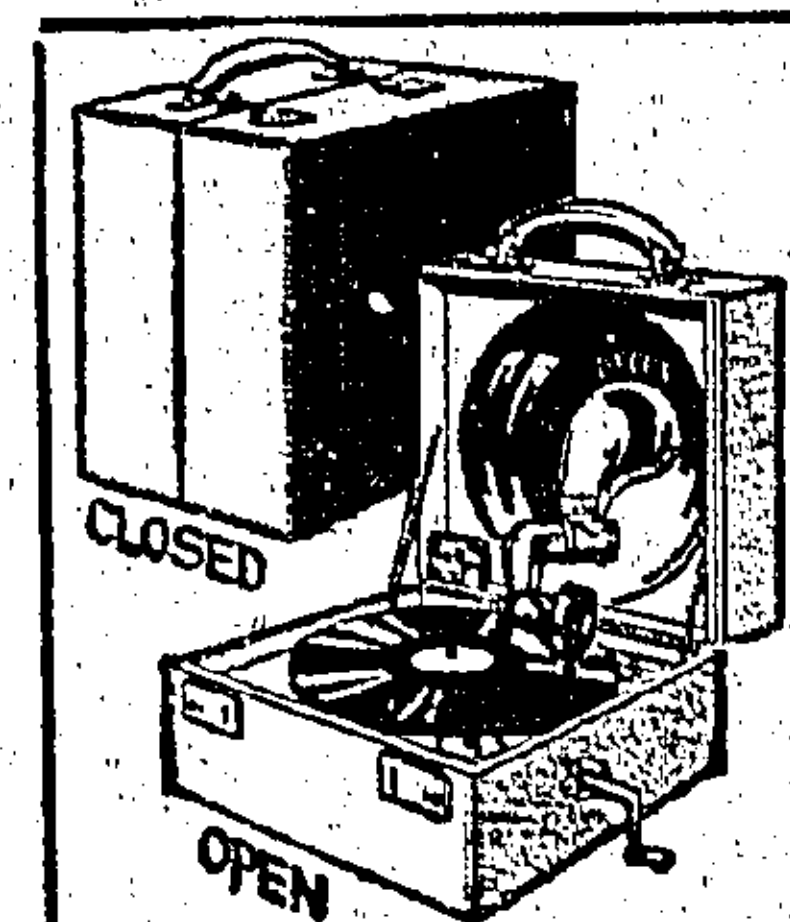
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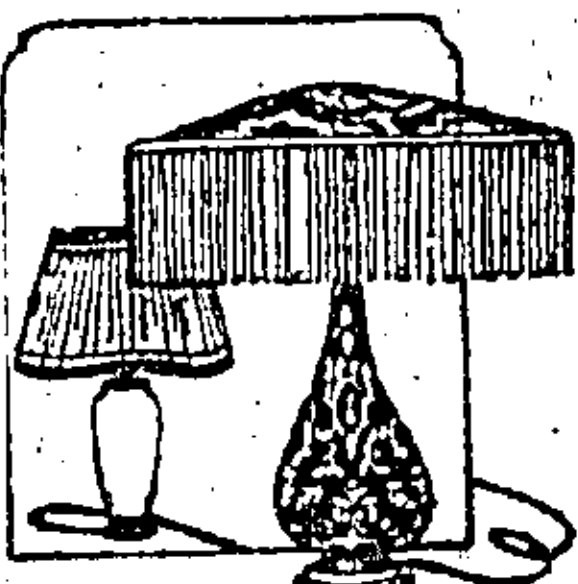
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THE Old Course at Fanling will be re-opened for play on FRIDAY, 7th September. The Ladies' Clubhouse will also be re-opened on above date.

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A. H. ARBAS,
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Cochin China, moreover, is engaged in this way this year, devoting \$500,000 (piastres) from the reserve to defray productive expenses and to expend in the public interest. If the economic situation is good there is, nevertheless, much to be done to develop the country. In the matter of irrigation and railways alone it is urgently necessary that a series of costly works should not be further postponed without condemning the country to an economic stagnation that would be as prejudicial to the Mother Country as to the Colony itself.

These works, M. Pichot says, should be carried out. In another article the same writer deals with the economic situation in Laos and Kwang-Chow-Wan in 1922. In the former country insufficient rain spoils the rice crop, and he regrets that few efforts had been made to produce other crops, such as tobacco, cotton, maize, manioc, and sugar-cane. Respecting European immigration, it may be said to be non-existent in Laos, in consequence of difficulties of transport and means of communication. Tin is abundant in the province of Thakeh, and a mineral exploitation company, notwithstanding great difficulties, was preparing to deal with 30 tons of the mineral a day.

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5. Forestries.
6. Fisheries.

The Soochan district is said to be very rich in coal, but owing to inadequate means of communication, its use will have to be confined to the districts adjoining the locality in which the product is found. Its value from the point of view of world-trade, therefore, is regarded as doubtful for the present.

The lead and zinc mines of Techuhe are reported to be full of promise. Transportation facilities are available and so are mining installations, while a large quantity of ores is said to exist. These mines were exploited by the Germans prior to the commencement of the European war.

As a business proposition, according to this report, the much-boomed oil and coal deposits in Northern Saghalien are not worth the outlay that will be involved in developing them. The experts, however, state in their report that, if the authorities mean to subsidize oil enterprises in this region in the interests of strategic necessity, that is another question. As a paying business proposition, however, they do not recommend commercial projects along this line in Northern Saghalien, even granting that there are large strata of oil, on the ground the cost would be so prohibitive that this oil could not successfully compete with the heavy oil imported at a moderate price from America.

No deep boring has been done yet owing to the expense involved, it being nearly three times as costly there as in Japan.

The panning of gold dust is also a branch of trade that the experts do not visualize with particular favour. They point out that panning can be done only during four months of the year, and that therefore it is not worth serious consideration as a business proposition. A generous distribution of gold dust is said to be discernible all over Eastern Siberia.

The forests of Siberia, especially of the coastal regions, and of Northern Saghalien, are reported to be "literally inexhaustible."

The lumber is said to be good for railway sleepers, match splints and building, but its commercial value will depend on whether the cost of production will be sufficiently cheap to permit of competition with the American market. The abrogation of the export tariff levied by the Soviet Government will, it is said, go far towards helping in this direction.

With regard to the fisheries, the report declares that lengthy comment is not needed as their worth and value is known all over the world, while it is generally recognized that the fishing grounds here are among the richest in the world.

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JAPANESE DISASTER.

(Continue from Page 1.)

Hongkong Chamber's Offer.

We have received from the Secretary of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce a copy of the following letter:—

Hongkong,
September 4th, 1923.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that at a Special Meeting of the Committee of this Chamber held to-day the following resolution was unanimously passed:—

"This Chamber learns with sincere regret of the disastrous calamity which has overtaken the cities of Tokyo, Yokohama and surrounding district, and I am instructed to express its profound sympathy with the Japanese and Foreign Communities in the dreadful loss of life and damage to property."

I am to add that this Chamber will be pleased to render any practical assistance for relief of the sufferers that may suggest itself to you.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,
(Sd.) D. G. M. BERNARD,
Chairman.

S. Takahashi Esq.,
Consul-General for Japan,
Hongkong.

Yesterday's News.

A telegram received by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. yesterday afternoon, from Kobe, stated that refugees arriving there from Yokohama reported that the Bluff, the European residential district in Yokohama, had been devastated. Whilst two of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's European staff at Yokohama are known to be safe, there is no information regarding the others.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation received a cable from Shanghai yesterday afternoon reporting that seven foreign refugees had arrived at Kobe from Yokohama, and giving the following news of the Bank's European employees:—Mr. R. T. Wright, manager of Yokohama office, and Mr. Guinness are reported safe. Mr. R. E. Edwards, the sub-manager, has been seriously injured, and Mr. I. C. Morrison has been killed. There is no news of other members of the staff. The telegram adds that some twenty-five per cent. of the Europeans in Yokohama were killed, and the place is suffering from lack of water, food, and medical supplies.

A cable from Kobe to the Asiatic Petroleum Company yesterday also brought sad news. Mr. F. J. H. Tebbutt, of their Yokohama staff, and his wife, were killed through the collapse of the hotel in which they were staying at Hakone. The message added that of other men of the Yokohama office, Messrs. H. W. Malcolm and M. D. Kennedy, and Mr. Malcolm's family, are safe. There is no news of other members of the staff.

Messrs. Dodwell & Co. had a telegram from their Kobe office yesterday to say that their Yokohama staff are safe, and have left for Kobe.

Mr. Syme Thompson has learned of the safety of his mother, a lady well known in Hongkong, who was at Yokohama.

Mr. H. S. Komor, of Messrs. Komor and Komor, has heard from Shanghai that his nephew, Mr. George Komor, manager of the firm's Yokohama branch, is safe, but that his wife is "lost."

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7.30 " to 8.00 "	every 15 min	7.30 " to 8.30 "	every 15 min
8.00 " to 8.20 "	" " 10 min	8.30 " to 11.00 "	" " 10 min
8.30 " Non-stop.		11.15 " 12.00 noon "	" " 15 min
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8.47 " Non-stop.		1.00 p.m. " 2.30 "	" " 15 min
8.54 " Stopping.		2.30 " " 4.30 "	" " 10 min
9.04 " Non-stop.		4.30 " " 5.30 "	" " 15 min
9.11 " Stopping.		5.30 " " 6.30 "	" " 10 min
9.20 " Stopping.		6.40 " Non-stop.	
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 "	every 10 min	6.47 " Stopping.	
11.30 " " 11.50 p.m. "	" " 15 min	6.57 " Non-stop.	
12.40 " Non-stop.		7.04 " Stopping.	
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Godowns, where they will be

examined on any Tuesdays and

Fridays between the hours of

10.45 a.m. and noon within the

free storage period.

No claims will be admitted

after the Goods have left the

steamer's Godown, and all Goods

remaining undelivered after the

10th September, will be subject

to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer

must be presented to the Under-

signed on or before the 24th

September, or they will not be

recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be

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The Steamship,

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Cargo by her are informed that all

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risk into the hazardous and/or

extra-hazardous Godowns of the

Holt's Wharf, whence delivery

may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted

after the Goods have left the

Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after 10th Sept.

1923, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer

must be presented to the Under-

signed on or before 17th Septem-

ber 1923, or they will not be

recognized.

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Goods are to be left in the

Godowns where they will be

examined on any Tuesdays or

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at Kowloon wharf, and/or from

the wharves delivery may be

obtained.

Optional Cargo will be for-

warded unless notice to the

contrary be given before 1st

inst.

No claims will be admitted

after the Goods have left the

Godowns, and all Goods remain-

undelivered after the 7th inst.

will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer

must be presented to the Under-

signed on or before the 17th inst.

or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged

Goods are to be left in the

Godowns where they will be

examined on the 7th inst. at 11

a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs

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No Fire Insurance has been

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NEW U.S. PROBLEM.

Negroes Leaving The South.

For some months past there has been going on in the United States a notable migration of negroes from the South to the North. It has now reached such large proportions that the Southerners it is almost a catastrophe, writes the Times New York correspondent. Their anxiety will be the easier to understand when it is remembered that before the war negroes supplied two-thirds of the labour for making the cotton crop, and, in tens of thousands of them were employed in industrial establishments of all sorts.

In a recent survey of the Federal Department of Agriculture it was found that Georgia had lost 13 per cent. of her negro farm population—32,000 persons—to Northern industrial centres: South Carolina had lost 22,700 persons; Alabama, 10,000; Arkansas, 15,000; and other Southern States smaller proportions—important, enough, however, in the aggregate. These figures take account only of the farm population and of the shift directly to the North. There was, besides, and there continues to be, a considerable movement of mechanics out of the cities and towns in the same direction. And at the same time there was a movement within the South of farm hands from the country districts to the cities.

The full effects of these changes will not be felt for some time. It would seem almost inevitable that, for one thing, they will reduce the cotton acreage in the course of the next few years and alter the whole agricultural situation in the South. Already white women, as well as men, are working in the fields; a change in itself no less than revolutionary in a country where the preservation of the white race's prestige is an omnipresent care.

SOCIAL FACTORS.

Though the South thinks of the movement mainly from its economic side, it has other important aspects. For North and

South alike it has created a number of new social and political problems. It is easy to see in its potentialities, at least, of considerable significance to the future of the nation.

The exodus really began at the outbreak of the war. At that time it had few of the characteristics which appeared later on. Agents had been sent from overhasty mills and factories in the North to pick up labour wherever they could find it. Able to bid high, they readily recruited hundreds of workers among the badly underpaid negroes. In the beginning these were regarded only as a stop-gap. Contrary, however, to expectations, they were not especially discouraged by the cold of the Northern winter. Some of them went home after a few weeks' work, but more remained. Some of these, in turn, lost heart when widespread unemployment came after the collapse of the boom, or they were daunted by race-riots; but a considerable number stayed in the North for good and all—a permanent loss to the South.

Last year, when business recovered again, the northward movement began afresh, and in greater numbers than before. But now it was for somewhat different reasons. There was no longer a wide difference in wages north and south of Mason and Dixon's line. As regards money alone, no particular argument existed for the negro, who is by nature gregarious and home-loving, to tear up his roots, so to speak, and begin life anew in an unfamiliar country. Other considerations, however, were more compelling.

In the North, for example, the negro was a problem only when it came to housing and schooling. He was rarely a social problem—using "social" in the loosest sense of the word—for generally he did not attempt to mix with white people on terms of equality. Housing was his greatest difficulty, and that not an insuperable one. In the schools there was seldom recognized any necessity for separating blacks and whites except, where there was a preponderance of, at least, a large minority of the former.

There was no distrust of the negro, as such.

THE NEGRO'S OPPORTUNITY.

If the negro was not exactly a man and a brother in the North, in the ordinary view he fulfilled half of that description. Implicitly, he had rights, rights not limited to riding in tramway-cars and railway trains alongside of "white folks." As a voter, moreover, especially in "doubtful" States, such as New Jersey, for example, he was a person of consideration, for some few weeks, at least, in every year.

In the South, on the other hand, while his position was steadily improving, there was little likelihood that it would ever be wholly satisfactory. Lynchings, to be sure, occurred in the North even as they did in the South, but far less frequently, and usually only after much greater provocation. A new development since the war, the revival of the Ku Klux Klan in Georgia and other Southern States, was another menace to his peace of mind. For all the Klan's solemn promises to protect the negro as well as the white from any lawlessness but its own

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HARRISON.—On July 17, at
Bradford, England, G. F. L.
Harrison, of Shanghai, son of F.
D. Harrison, after brief illness.BEESLEY.—On August 30, at
Kuling, Yunnan, eldest daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Beesley, of
Shanghai.JEFFREY.—In New York on
3rd. September, J. A. Jeffrey,
Agent, Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation, New York.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 5th Sept., 1923.

WHAT A WORLD IT IS!

One could go through the news-
paper files for more than fifty
years back and find few instances
of such coincident excitement for
the reading public as during the
last few days. Just when the
Graeco-Italian crisis was setting
all the world agog, came the
first news of the stupendous dis-
aster in Japan. Yet, the average
person to-day has grown so used
to big Press headings and black-
letter summaries of important
news, that such things are almost
taken for granted. Four years
of this excitement, during the
late war, have satiated the public.
It is interesting to recall how
much used to be made of news
items before those fatal days in
1914 when "extras" ran off the
presses too laggard to satisfy the
demand. The recent death of the
Mexican bandit leader, Villa, re-
minds us that he was never asked
to account for his part in the
murder of an Englishman who
was travelling through brigand-
infested Mexico. Yet, at the
time, what a stir there was! It
bade fair to become an inter-
national incident, vengeance was
demanded, Great Britain should
show those Mexican cut-throats
that such things required speedy
reparation, and stark justice
should be meted out to the guilty!
One very influential journal, soon
afterwards, in the forefront of
those that denounced the Hun
and all his works, even went so
far as to declare that it was a
pity Villa had not murdered a
German, and suggested that
the Monroe doctrine should
go by the board, and a Prussian
army corps be sent to Mexico to
put her house in order. Oh! the
humour of it. Soon afterwards
the Great War broke out, and
Villa and his peccadilloes were
forgotten.

There is an analogy to be
drawn from the above. Not so
very long ago, we had the Lin-
cheng bandit outrage, followed,
after much delay, by a Note from
the Powers embodying certain
demands. The latest news from
North China indicates that the
Chinese are steadily building up
serious opposition to this Note.
And hard on the heels of Lincheng
we now have further outrages, and
murders of foreigners. The big
nations are busy with repara-
tions problems, and the possible
end of the Entente; with the
serious Italo-Greek dispute, and
the threat of war; with various
smaller problems, like the decay
of Germany, threats of Bols-
hevism, cabinet resignations,
unemployment, earthquakes and
relief measures, and so forth;
but all the time events are tak-
ing place in China that cannot
be ignored, like events in Mexico
were. We hope the unfortunate
aggregation of big issues will
not lead to any vastly more un-
fortunate neglect of problems
that urgently need solving.

Superstitions.

These are anxious days for the
superstitious, whose name in
Hongkong would appear to be
legion. As we recorded yester-
day, there are lots of Chinese of
the ignorant class who are going
about full of forebodings for the
future. They predict all manner
of calamities in the near future,
including the complete disap-
pearance of Hongkong! We have
even heard of cases in which
Chinese employees of firms have
told their employers that they
will not be on duty on a certain
date, because dire happenings are
then due to take place—as if their
absence from office would make
any difference, anyhow. Recent
happenings have, of course,
helped to swell the ranks of the
superstitious. The big typhoon
here a few weeks ago, and now
the terrible happenings in Japan,
have struck something like fear
into the hearts of the poorer class
Chinese; and amongst the women-
folk in particular there is a dis-
position to believe anything and
everything they are told. We
can write all this down to
ignorance and gullibility, for it
is, of course, absurd to think
that anyone can foretell future
events.

"Unlucky" Year.

All the same, Chinese freely
stated when their year commen-
ced in February last that it would
be an "unlucky" one. They cited
a number of reasons for this.
One was that the year did not
include a Spring of Day Festival
in the almanack. Another was
that the New Year's Day came on
what they call a "split" day. A
further fact commented upon was
that the year was the last in a
cycle of sixty years, the name of
which is made up by the charac-
ters in two groups which are used
in rotation, those going to make
up all the names of the sixty
years which complete the cycle.
In this present year, the two and
characters of each group come
together, and that fact was taken
by some to indicate that the year
would represent "the end of all
things." Well, there certainly
has been enough in the way of
unfortunate occurrences this
year, and we still have many
months to go. But these predic-
tions of great disaster do not
cause us any loss of sleep. We're
alive to-day—and that's some-
thing. There is no need to be
anxious regarding the morrow.

WATER POLO.

King's "A" v. L.R.C.

An even game was witnessed
last night between these two
teams, the King's "A" eventually
emerging winners by three goals
to nil. There was no scoring in
the first half, but in the second
Paul and Profit (2) scored for the
King's.

V.R.C. "A" v. V.R.C. "B".

The "A" team was all over the
"B" and scored five goals in the
first half and seven in the second.
Lyon (5), Buschart (5) and
Stewart (2). The "B" team
managed to put through one goal
in each half, Haroon scoring both.
The "A" team therefore won by
12 to 2.

DAY BY DAY.

OBSERVANCE OF THE LAW IS
THE GREATEST SOLVENT OF
PUBLIC ILLS.—Calvin Coolidge.The Empress of Asia sails at
noon to-morrow. It is notified
that the call at Yokohama is
liable to be cancelled.The loot discarded by the
armed robbers in Kowloon yester-
day morning in their flight
from the Police through King's
Park is placed at \$324.The health return for yesterday
shows three cases each of small-
pox and enteric fever and one
each of diphtheria and puerperal
fever. All were Chinese.The customary funny strip,
entitled "The Doings of the
Duffs," is temporarily suspended,
owing to the illness of Mr. Allman,
the artist. In place of it we are
running "Salesman Sam" during
the interim.At to-morrow's meeting of the
Legislative Council the war
Memorial Nursing Home Ordinance
and the Bill to prevent
fraudulent transfers of businesses
are to be read a first time. Other
Bills from the last meeting will
also come up.A DISAPPOINTED
PURCHASER.Novel Rents Ordinance
Conundrum.Another interesting Rents
Ordinance tangle came before
Mr. Justice Gompertz in the
Summary Court, this morning.In February, 1922, some mer-
chants signed an agreement to
purchase a house in Wing Lok
Street. The sale was completed
in June the same year. One of
the terms in the agreement was
that the vendor should remain in
possession until July this year,
at a monthly rental of \$380,
when the buyers should get
possession. But when the buyers
wished to get possession they
found the ground floor occupied
by a Chinese bank, who entered
into possession, it was stated, in
September, 1922, as sub-tenants
of the vendor.Mr. M. M. Watson, on behalf
of the buyers, claimed possession of
those premises. His case was
that had the clause for possession
not been inserted in the agree-
ment the agreement for purchase
would not have been entered into.
The vendor was not now in
possession (he was in Canton,
Mr. Watson mentioned), but the
buyers had not gained possession
of the premises. There were
tenants all over the house. Some
may have been there when the
agreement was signed, but the
Bank (the defendants) entered
into possession afterwards.His Honour asked Mr. Watson
what he considered to be the
meaning of the word "possession."Mr. Watson: "It means 'actual
possession.'"Continuing, Mr. Watson held
that it was within the vendor's
power to have given them possession
of which they sought to
recover. He submitted that had
the vendor remained in posses-
sion he, Mr. Watson, could have
obtained an order against him.
The buyers wanted the premises
to start a business. They had
paid \$41,000 for something which
they had not received. Under
the agreement which they had
signed they were entitled to
possession. They would not
have signed without that clause.
Not having possession, the pre-
mises were naturally worth much
less. Under common law, Mr.
Watson went on, the deter-
mination of the tenancy, as re-
gards the landlord, was the
determination of the sub-tenancies.
The defendants did not become
statutory tenants of the landlord
under the statute, and he contended
that the buyers (the plaintiffs)
were entitled to recover
possession.Mr. M. K. Lo appearing for the
defendants (the Bank), submitted
that the only reasons Mr. Watson
could give the Court for wanting
to turn the defendants out was
the possession clause in the agree-
ment. Mr. Lo pointed out that
at the time the agreement was
signed the vendor was not the
tenant. Whatever notice to quit
was given was not given by a
tenant at that time.The case was not concluded
when we went to press.

BUSINESS FRAUDS.

How the New Bill
Originated.We have received from the
Secretary of the Hongkong Gen-
eral Chamber of Commerce the
following notes with reference to
the Bill entitled the Fraudulent
Transfers of Businesses Ordinance,
1923, which is being intro-
duced into the Legislative Council
by the Attorney General to-
morrow:Many instances of the form of
fraud complained of were brought
to the notice of the Chamber early
in 1922. Representations were
made to the government in June,
1922, in the course of which it
was suggested that drastic legis-
lation was warranted in view of
the extent of the practice which
had grown up of transferring
business assets without liabilities;
also having regard to Hongkong's
peculiar position on the borders
of China.The Chinese Chamber of Com-
merce was invited to join in
these representations to the
Government and in a letter dated
12th July, 1922, the Secretary of
the Chinese Chamber wrote: "I
am to state that this Chamber
gives its whole-hearted support to
the efforts being made by your
Chamber with a view to suppress-
ing the evil." In a further letter
addressed to the Colonial Secre-
tary on the 20th July 1922 the
Chinese Chamber expressed the
opinion that "legislation in some
form would appear to be not only
desirable but even necessary to
control the growing practice of
transferring the goodwill and
assets of Chinese business to new
concerns without transferring
their liabilities."A draft Bill was then drawn up
by the General Chamber's Legal
Sub-Committee and further
negotiations led, at length, to the
formulation of a Bill on the
terms of which both Chambers
were unanimous.The following correspondence
has recently passed:Hongkong General Chamber
of Commerce.

Hongkong 20th July, 1923.

Sir,
With further reference to your
letter No. 3550/1922 of 17th
November, 1922, and previous
correspondence on the subject of
the alleged fraudulent transfers
of Chinese businesses, I have the
honour to state that very careful
consideration has been given to
the criticisms of the Chamber's
proposals by the Hon. Attorney
General, who has since rendered
great assistance to the Legal Sub-
Committee of the Chamber in
drafting a Bill to meet the evils
complained of.The draft Bill has been sub-
mitted to the Chinese Chamber of
Commerce, and, in order to secure
unanimity on a question on which
legislation appears urgently
necessary, various amendments
suggested by the Chinese Chamber
have been incorporated.I enclose a copy of the draft
Bill in its final form. My Com-
mittee hopes that the Govern-
ment will see its way to the early
introduction of legislation on
these lines, in order that grave
abuses of commercial practice
and morality may be checked.I have the honour to be,
Sir,Your obedient servant,
(Sd.) D. K. BLAIR,

Secretary.

The Hon.
The Colonial Secretary,
Hongkong.Hongkong General Chamber
of Commerce,

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1923.

Dear Sir,—Respecting the pro-
posed legislation to deal with
alleged fraudulent transfers of
businesses, the suggested amend-
ments which accompanied your
letter of the 26th April have now
been thoroughly considered by
this Chamber and its Legal Sub-
committee.In order to secure unanimity
amongst all sections of the
business community in support of
the measure, this Chamber has
accepted all the suggested amend-
ments, though in some cases the
original form of the draft Bill
was preferred.It is hoped that both Chambers
may continue in full co-operation
on this question until the proposed
Bill finds a place among the
Ordinances of the Colony.

I am, dear Sir,

yours faithfully,
(Sd.) D. K. BLAIR,

Secretary.

The Secretary,
Hongkong General Chamber
of Commerce,

GARAGE FIGHT.

European's Chauffeur
in Trouble.Mr. H.A. Lammert's chauffeur
was charged before Mr. J.R.
Wood at the Magistracy this
morning with cutting,
and wounding a No. 1 fitter employ-
ed at the Exile Garage, Proya
East.It was alleged that the defend-
ant lost his temper on finding
that certain repairs had not been
completed when he went to fetch
the car on Saturday. Certain ex-
pressions were used which led to
a fight, in which the defendant is
alleged to have used a dagger on
the complainant.The charge was denied, and
Mr. R.E.A. Webster for the
defence, whilst agreeing that a
fight did take place, said it was
inconceivable that the defendant
should have rushed to his car and
pleaded from it a dagger with
which to commit the assault.A remand was given until Wed-
nesday next.

ANTI-CHIT LAW.

Repeal to be Asked For.

At to-morrow's meeting of the
Legislative Council, a resolution
will be proposed for the repeal of
the law which makes the signing
of chits in hotels illegal excepting
to residents.The motion will be made by the
Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock in the
following terms:—"That the
opinion of the Members of this
Council, it is desirable that section
3 of the Liquors Ordinance, 1917,
should be repealed."ENCOUNTERS
TYPHOON.The "Hwah Hsin's"
Experience.The s.s. "Hwah Hsin" on her
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kong. The barometer read 28.60.
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strated their appreciation of the
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Headquarters that the s.s. Derby-
shire (bringing the 1st. East
Surreys) to take the place of the
2nd. King's at Hongkong) will
arrive here about November 23rd.
The ship is due to leave Port
Sudan on November 2nd, touch
at Colombo on November 12th,
and reach Hongkong on Novem-
ber 23rd, sailing with the 2nd.
King's on November 27th. for
Bombay, being due to arrive at
the Indian port on December
10th. The Derbyshire will leave
Bombay on December 18th, reach
Port Said on December 29th,
leave there two days later, and is
due at Southampton on January
10th.Chinese Chamber of Commerce,
Hongkong, 25th July, 1923.Dear Sir,
I have to acknowledge with
thanks your letter of 23rd. instant
enclosing copy of proposed draft
bill, amended in accordance with
this Chamber's suggestions, relat-
ing to fraudulent transfers of
businesses.I am directed to thank your
Chamber for meeting this Cham-
ber in the matter of the amend-
ments, and to assure your Cham-
ber that this Chamber will gladly
co-operate with your Chamber
with the view to securing the
passage of the Bill to this ordi-
nance of the Colony.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) IP LAM CHEUN

Secretary.

It may be mentioned that the
Attorney General (whose assist-
ance during the time that the sub-
ject was under consideration was
valuable to the Chamber) has ad-
opted the draft Bill in its entirety
as the measure to be brought
before the Council to-morrow.

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RADIO NOTES AND NEWS.

Will Government Take over Broadcasting?

At the trade exhibition of toys and novelties at the Royal Agricultural Hall, London, recently, there was noticed a small crystal wireless receiver, for the price of one shilling, with a range of some 15 miles.

"Radio Golf."

Australia is now taking up the game of "Radio Golf," and records are being broken every day. The game, which originated in America, consists in seeing how many miles you can cover in one hour, using a receiving set. Each station can only be counted once, but already one enthusiast has covered 39.34 miles in 14 hours, about 3,576 miles per hour.

Future of Broadcasting.

Ultimately radio broadcasting will become a public or governmental agency, prophesies Prof. C.M. Jansky, professor of electrical engineering at the University of Wisconsin and a member of the National Radio Conference.

In the July issue of *Radio Prof.* Jansky points to the tendencies that cause him to make this prophecy. These he puts into three classes.

First, he says, there is the expense of installation and operation which already has caused many stations, originally erected mainly for self-advertising purposes, to suspend operations. "The value of broadcasting for such purposes is only temporary," he writes, "and this value is hardly commensurate with the expense of installation and operation."

Second, more and more difficulty is being experienced in getting suitable material for broadcasting.

"Many broadcasting stations," he says, "started out at a pace which was certain to leave them gasping within a short time. Difficulty to find suitable material for broadcasting when coupled with the stand of lyceum bureaus and other booking agencies prohibiting the broadcasting of performances by their artists, will soon limit the musical programmes to reproductions by a phonograph with which broadcasting started. This, of course, will not hold any radio audiences."

Therefore, concludes Jansky, broadcast matter must have a permanent value, and must not compete with other agencies, such as phonograph makers and concert directors, that can do and produce the same programme more efficiently.

As a result, Jansky deduces the third element that is shaping the destiny of radio—the future control and ownership of broadcasting radio. Certain factors point to ultimate government control and even ownership, of this phase of radio.

The most significant factor, he points out, is radio's service, especially to rural communities.

"The future of radio," he says, "must rest on some service to the public, which has a paramount value and which no other agency is supplying in as efficient a manner. Radio broadcasting has possibilities of service to people in remote regions which no existing agency fulfills. It is in this field that broadcasting must ultimately function."

"Urban communities are today served by other means of communication more effectively than they can be served by radio; but no agency of communication possesses the potentiality of service to rural communities that is inherent in radio."

But, asks Jansky, will private broadcasting stations continue this service without some financial gain?

"The fact that radio is unique in that by means of it economic, educational and climatic information having a wide public appeal may be disseminated," he concludes, "and the fact that the public must ultimately, in some way or other, finance such projects, seem to indicate that broadcasting will become a public or governmental agency."

"It will be an agency par excellence for eliminating the effects of geographic differences and for the creation of greater national and even international harmony."

Seeing by Radio.

Sportsmen may be the first to enjoy the benefits of television by radio—seeing, as well as hearing, an event by wireless.

This opinion is based on recent success in transmitting by radio several photographs from Washington to Philadelphia, and on the practice of large broadcasters to flash out all the detailed actions of an important sporting event.

Radio broadcasting of a sporting feature, like a big prizefight, or an important baseball game, has already been accepted as satisfactory. Prizefights, especially factory, have been "heard" with almost as much enjoyment by wireless as though the listeners were at the ringsides. Round by round, movement by movement, they have been flashed to the radio fight fans through a keen reporter's eyes, while the cheers of the crowds, the ringing of the gong and all the other attending sounds and noises of a big fight were heard distinctly through the receiver.

All that would be necessary to make the evening's enjoyment complete would be a wireless movie of the fight, almost at the same time that it was being fought.

Engineers no longer doubt the probability of such an occurrence. When it comes radio will surpass all other scientific inventions as an entertainer.

But there is a snag to the realization of this panacea. That is, opposition of various interests to radio broadcasting of an important event which is staged for the income it might bring.

Imagine the installation of a radio television broadcasting set at an important prizefight—one that could broadcast all the sounds and sights of the ring and arena. How many would go to see the fight close at hand?

Or imagine a world series baseball game, with such a broadcasting set to flash the roaring of the fans, the calls of the umpire and crack of the bat, beside the actual photographs of the event as it occurred. How many baseball fans would travel across the country, as they do now, to see such a feature directly?

By the time radio television is perfected so as to be practicable for general use, everyone of moderate means may have a wireless receiving set. With the addition of a television receiver, the radio fan would be in a position to enjoy all big events, broadcast by radio, at home.

But there is hardly a chance for this to become a reality. The owners of baseball grounds and prizefight promoters, looking out for their own financial interests, would put a stop to the broadcasting of their programmes altogether.

PRESSMEN IN THE WAR.

Amalgamated Press Memorial.

A very beautiful marble tablet, erected to the memory of the employees of the Amalgamated Press who gave their lives in the Great War, was unveiled recently by Sir George Sutton, in the presence of a large company of journalists, business representatives, and works managers associated with the company. The tablet is placed in the entrance hall of the Fleetway House, Farringdon-street, E.C., and is of a most dignified design by Mr. T. H. Paget. On it are the names of 142 officers and men who made the supreme sacrifice. In unveiling the memorial Sir George Sutton, chairman of the Amalgamated Press, said that no fewer than 1,370 men left the service of the company in defence of their country. Of that number 213 were wounded, while of those whose names were upon the tablet

all he could say was that their memory would live for ever in the hearts of their colleagues. Had Lord Northcliffe been spared, it would have been his duty and his pride to have unveiled the memorial, for he took a real personal interest in the welfare of every man of his various staffs who responded to the call of his country in her hour of peril. Lord Northcliffe's own life was shortened by his war time exertions, for he never spared himself and never lost faith in the ultimate triumph of our cause and arms. In referring briefly to the services rendered by members of the Fleetway House staff in the Army and Navy Sir George mentioned the case of Brigadier-General Mildren, D.S.O., who was called up in August 1914, and who went right through the war with a most distinguished record. General Mildren realised to the full the sacrifices made by City of London regiments in the war, of which the memorial just unveiled was one of the finest examples.

BASEBALL POINTS.

More Queries Answered.

What are the rights of the coacher at third base?

If a batter should hit a ball over the fence, and the coacher patted him on the back as he rounded third, how would the umpire rule?

If a batter hit a ball to the outfield and makes three bases on it, beating the throw to get him at that base, and while he was standing on the base, with the fielder standing close by with the ball in his possession, the coacher left the lines of his position and started to assist in brushing off the uniform of the player, what should the umpire do?

The Interpretation.

The rule relating to the coacher at third touching a runner was made with the intent to cover plays in which coacher physically assists a runner in returning to or leaving third base. There was no desire to have it in effect where no play was made.

In the first play cited, where the batter hit over the fence, the umpire should have paid no attention to the act of the coacher in patting the player on the back as he rounded third. His actions had no bearing on the play.

In the second case the umpire should have paid no attention to the coacher brushing off the uniform of the player standing on third while the fielder stood nearby with the ball. There was no chance of a play, and the actions of the coacher should not have been noticed.

ANTIQUE STATUES.

A Story of Fakes.

Paris.—An interesting sidelight, from the collector's point of view, of traffic in antiques is being furnished in the Paris Courts.

M. Demotte, well-known Parisian art dealer, who has an important branch establishment in New York, charges one, M. Vigouroux, and expert in ancient art, who in 1917 was his New York manager, with having defrauded him of 7,500 dollars.

The Paris antiquary says M. Vigouroux sold a 15th-century statue of Saint Paul to the Metropolitan Art Museum of New York for 3,000 dollars, and entered it in his cash book at 1,500 dollars.

Also that he sold to two well-known architects of Philadelphia two stone heads of Christ, said to come from the famous Bourgeois Cathedral for 3,200 dollars, which were put down at 1,650 dollars.

A Gothic statue of the Virgin and Child bought by Mr. Winthrop, of New York, for 7,000 dollars was (says the charge) entered at 4,000 dollars.

Another statue sold for 4,000 dollars was shown as having been disposed of for 2,500 dollars.

QUESTION OF GENUINENESS. These figures were not disputed by M. Vigouroux, who in his defence declared that the statues M. Demotte sent him to sell to American collectors were not genuine.

M. Demotte protested against this assertion, but M. Vigouroux announced he was going to tell the whole truth.

He said that his employer was "the greatest art faker in the world"; that for the last 20 years he had been faking works of art, some of which were sold to the Louvre museum.

He went on to say that he was not given a fixed salary, but a percentage on sales, and his employer had promised him a pearl necklace worth 200,000 francs for his daughter if he could sell for him all the art objects he was sending to New York.

"It is difficult enough to sell genuine antiquities, but when they are spurious it is very hard work," explained M. Vigouroux.

He explained the differences between the sums received and those entered in his book as what he paid as commission to intermediaries—whom he could not name; it was a matter of professional secrecy.

They were often well-known society people, who would not have their names mentioned, he added, but they insisted on receiving a high percentage.

"Antiquaries seem to increase, while the output of genuine art diminishes," said the judge in adjourning the hearing.

STRAWBERRY RECORD.

Over 3,000,000 baskets of strawberries have been dispatched from the South Hants district during the season just ended. All records in output have been eclipsed, despite the unfavourable conditions at the beginning of the season.



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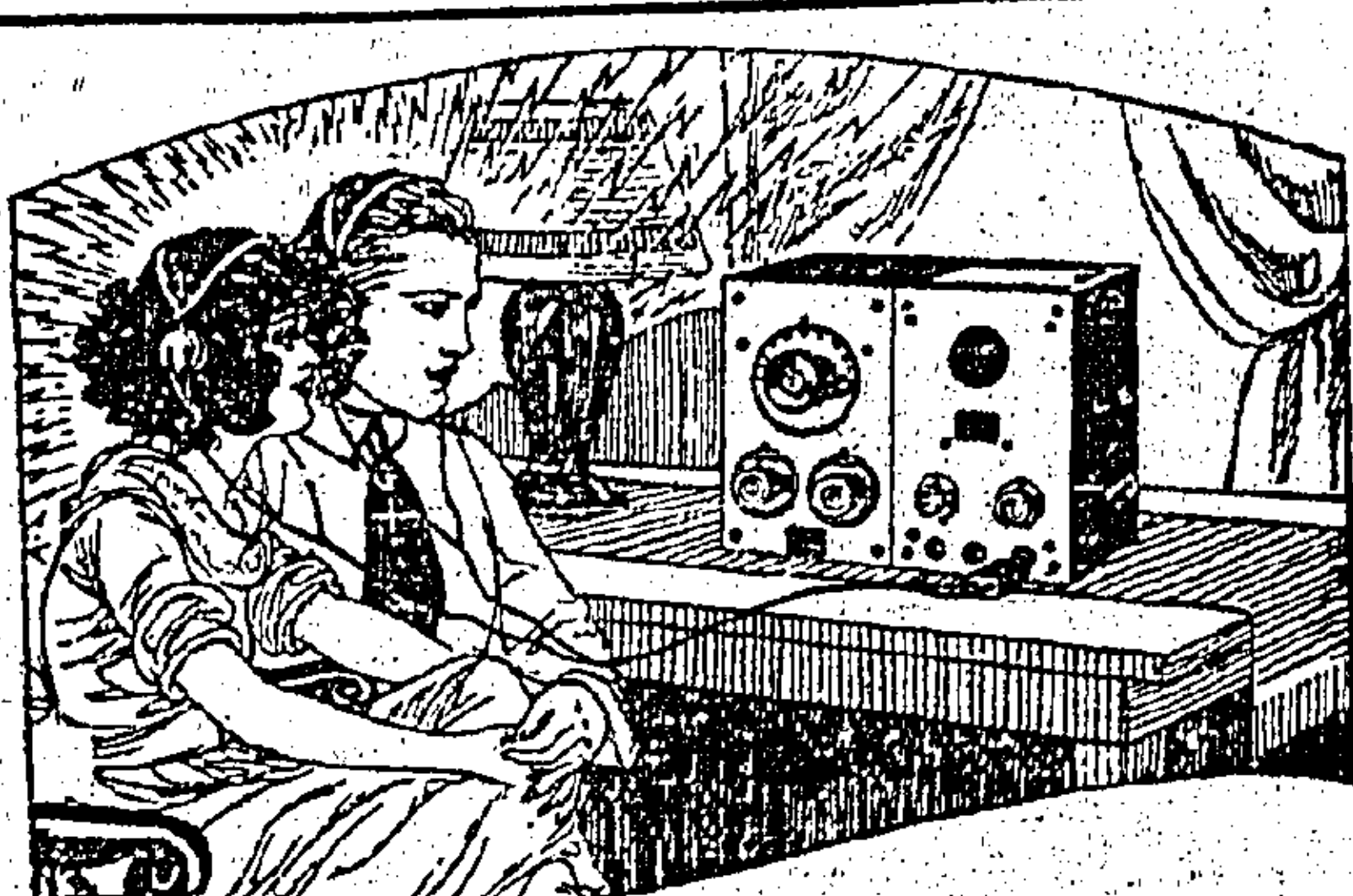


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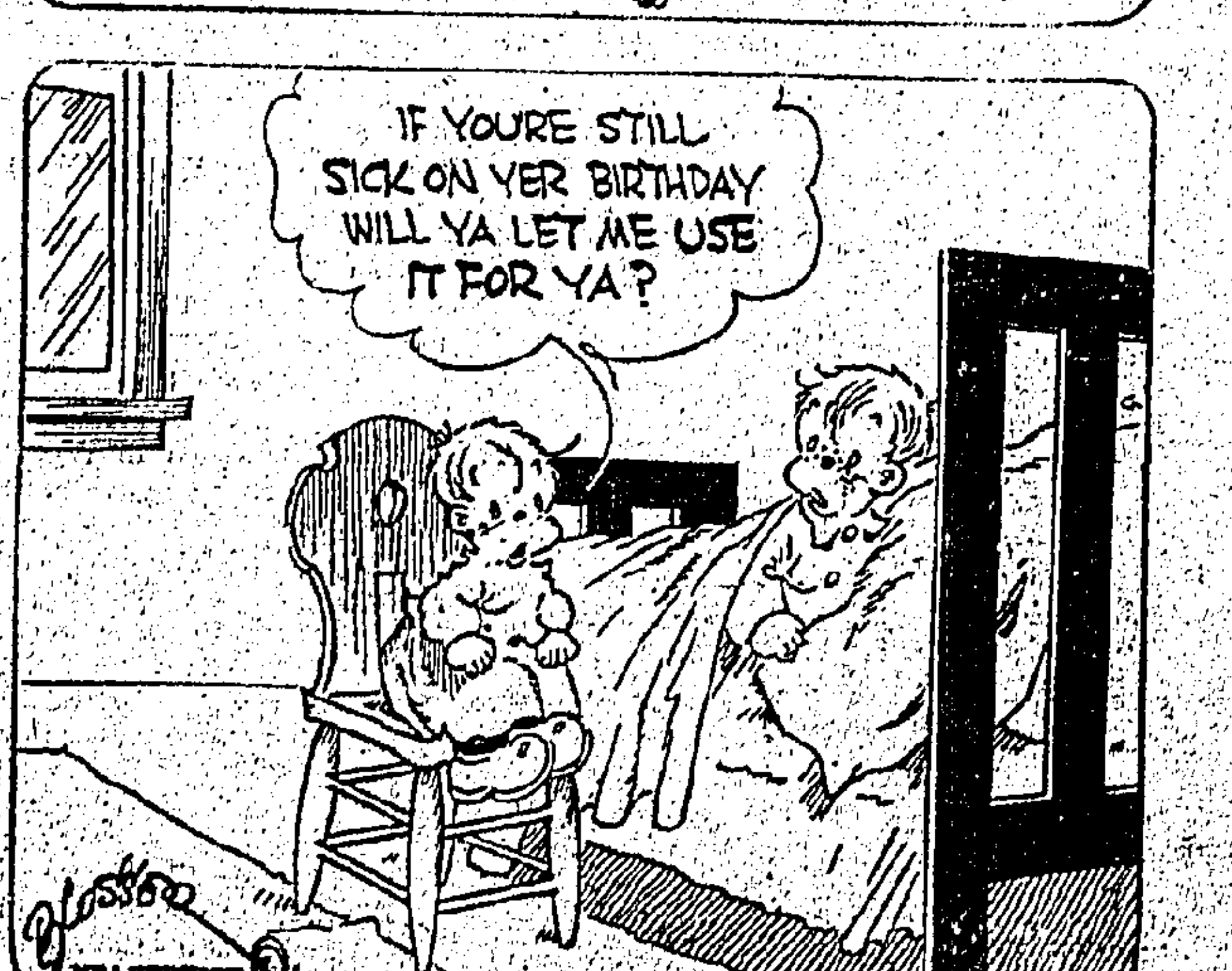
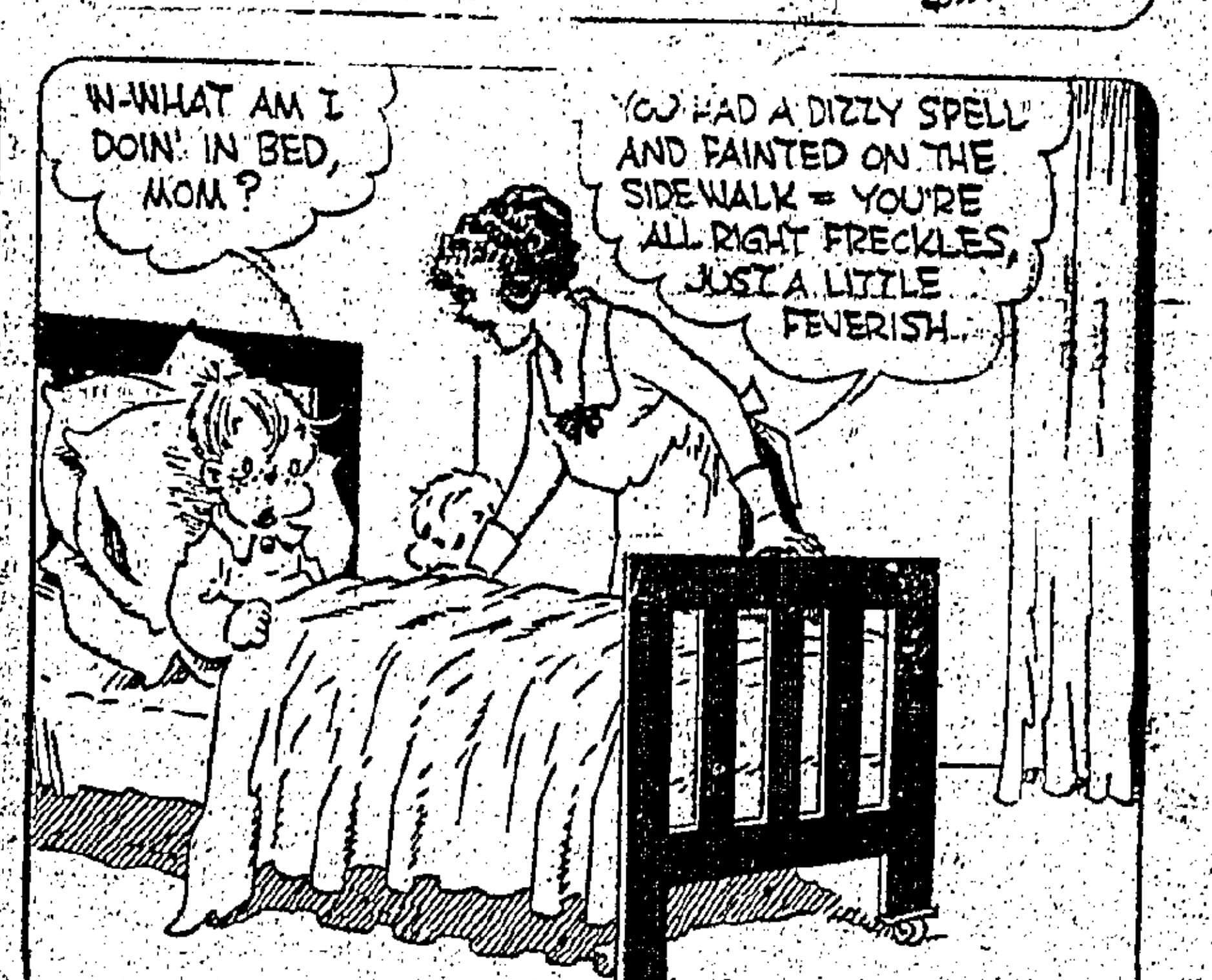
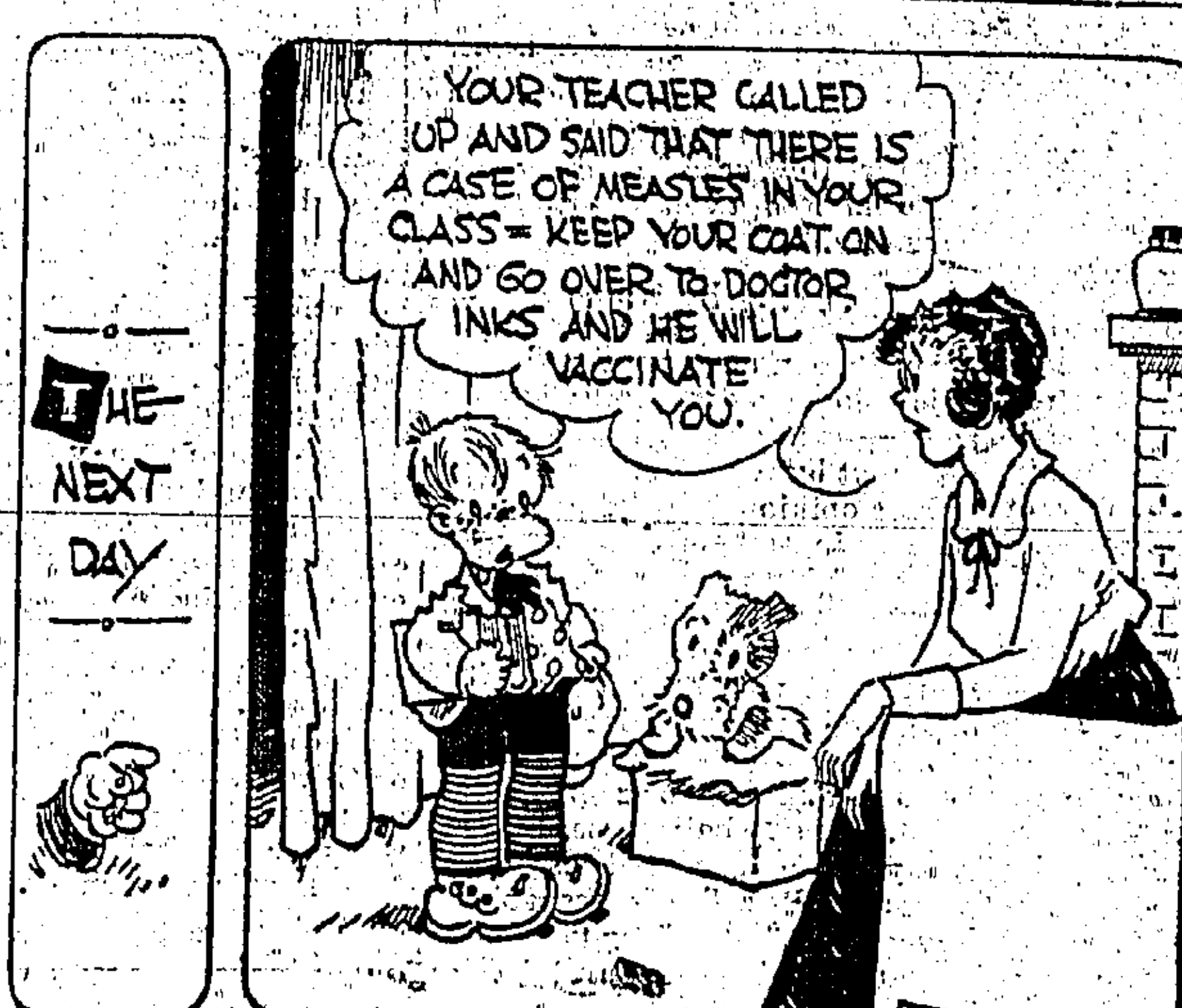
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

by Blossie



ITALY'S PREMIER SPEAKS OUT.

Can Do Without the League.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rome, September 4.

At a Cabinet meeting Signor Mussolini declared it was absolutely inadmissible that the League of Nations could undertake the settlement of the Italo-Greek dispute. The Italian delegation at to-morrow's meeting of the Council of the League would maintain that the League was absolutely incompetent to judge a question which was outside the clause invoked by Greece. Should the Council, nevertheless, assert its competency, Italy would solve the problem by withdrawing from the League.

Referring to foreign comments, he remarked: "Italian public opinion is doubtless profoundly surprised and grieved by the attitude of such a large section of the British Press. I hope this burning lesson in political realism will decisively cure Italy of the malady of conventional phrases."

Greek Proposals.

Geneva, September 4.

Before the Council of the League of Nations, Signor Salandra made a statement contending that the Military Governor of Corfu was responsible for the deaths of innocent victims, because the casualties occurred within the fortress where the troops were reported billeted, and the Governor had declared that he would resist a landing force and had been warned that fire would be directed to military objectives.

Lord Robert Cecil's insistence on the Greek Delegate, M. Politis being heard led to Italian protests, but M. Politis was finally allowed to submit written proposals—namely, that the Council should appoint one or more neutral representatives to superintend the judicial enquiry and the trial of the accused, and assist the commission of enquiry. The Council should also instruct a Commission composed of one Greek, one Italian and neutral judicial authorities to meet as soon as possible at Geneva with the object of deciding on the indemnities to be paid to the families of the victims, the Greek Government depositing forthwith in a Swiss bank fifty million Italian lire as a guarantee of immediate payment of whatever indemnities are fixed.

Feeling in League circles is much easier in consequence of M. Politis' proposals.

CLOSE OF CRICKET SEASON.

Positions of the Counties.

London, September 4.

At Brighton, Sussex beat Warwickshire on the first innings. Sussex scored 181 and 283, Holmes contributing 103. Warwick scored 157, A.E. Gilligan taking 4 for 32, and Bowley 4 for 20.

Yorkshire at Taunton defeated Somerset by seven wickets. Somerset compiled 134 (Young 65), with Macaulay taking 4 for 47 and Roy Kilner 4 for 40; and 124, Macaulay taking 5 for 65 and Roy Kilner 3 for 20.

Hants beat Glamorgan at Cardiff on the first innings. For Hants, Brown knocked up 120.

The final positions in the county championship are:

Yorkshire	85.80
Notts	68.00
Lancashire	60.00
Surrey	58.26
Kent	55.55
Sussex	52.66
Hampshire	45.92
Middlesex	40.90

ELECTION OF LEAGUE OFFICIALS.

A Significant Change.

Geneva, September 4.

The Assembly of the League of Nations has elected M. Motta (Switzerland) to be chairman of the committee on legal questions, instead of Signor Scialoja, last year's chairman. This is regarded as a demonstration against Signor Mussolini's attitude in the present conflict. Six vice presidents elected include Lord Robert Cecil, Viscount Ishii, and M. Hanotaux. Lord Robert Cecil received 42 out of 44 votes.

RUSSIAN GRAIN RIDDLE.

Prohibition of Export.

Helsingfors, September 4.

A semi-official announcement from Moscow states that it has been decided to prohibit all export of grain. This is considered surprising in view of previous statements that large quantities of grain had already been collected at various ports. It is stated that the harvest in northern and central Russia is late.

THE TRIPOLI CAMPAIGN.

Rome, September 4.

A message from Tripoli states that fifty rebels were killed on August 31 in an encounter with Italian native troops, south-east of Iltenevaz Mehalla. The rebels fled. Fifty more rebels were killed and wounded by the Kugahat legion on September 2.

THE MARK OF SORROW.

London, September 4.

Marks have slumped to seventy millions to the pound sterling.

CASTLES.

BY BERTON BRALEY.

The castles of marble or granite stand fast
For ages, but finally crumble.
The wind and the weather destroy them at last
And over their ruins we stumble.
Though high be the battlements, thick be the wall
Though lofty their chambers and splendid.
Yet sooner or later they topple and fall
And all of their splendour is ended.

Oh, men must build castles of iron and stone
To house their material glories,
Strong castles whose beauty and wonder are known
And told in the bravest of stories;
Yet these, too, shall pass as the centuries beat
Against their great bastions and towers,
And they shall be dust 'neath humanity's feet
In ages far distant from ours.

The castles of granite and steel fade away,
But ever more brilliantly gleaming
Our dream castles stand with their parapets gay
And all of their banners streaming;
No foe can destroy them, time storms them in vain,
They glow with enchantment supernal,
The castles of stone turn to dust of the plain,
But Castles in Air are eternal.

FORMER AUSTRIAN SHIPS.

Warning from Italy.

Peking, Sept. 4.—An Italian wireless message says the Government has issued a warning that the purchase of the three steamers—formerly belonging to the Australian Lloyd, which were seized by China upon the declaration of war, will not be recognised by the Italian Government.—Reuter.

CHINESE FOOTBALL TOUR.

Another Draw in Australia.

Abermain, Sept. 4th.—The football match between Maitland and China resulted in a draw of two goals each.—Reuter.

SUPERSTITIONS.

What do You Believe?

It is more than likely that if you were to ask the average man how strong is his belief in the evil influence of "No 13," or the mishaps that are bound to follow upon the spilling of salt, he would put on a somewhat superior air, and proceed to talk loftily of "ignorant survival," or the march of science.

But, notwithstanding his strong convictions, will he, in the course of a stroll in Queen's Road, deliberately walk under a ladder, or be courageous enough to pick up a cane he may find lying in his path? Mr. Clubman, are you brave enough to allow three men to light a cigarette with one match, and, Mrs. Housewife, can you honestly say that you look upon the prospect of breaking a mirror with equanimity?

The good luck brought by black cats is proverbial: whereas it is equally well established that to sit down on a pair of scissors may spoil one's luck for a week.

At this juncture the little imp "Jinx" must be introduced. According to the latest theory, Jinx is the mischievous elf responsible for our bad joss. "Jinx" is not a word to be found in any dictionary, but it means a person or thing who brings bad luck. Every golf enthusiast has his pet jinx, at cricket, batsman and bowler alike suffer from his machinations; and the recent Weather Jinx in Hongkong is still fresh in the memory.

Popular superstitions, and their humorous possibilities, form the groundwork of the story of "The Ladder Jinx," the highly amusing comedy to be shown at the Star from Thursday to Saturday.

Arthur Barnes, the hero, did not believe in superstitions. His girl did, and when Arthur walked under a ladder, "just to show her, the fun began." The humour is fast and furious right to the finish.

This is a novel idea in comedies, and has received fine notices wherever it has been shown.

RUBBER WASHED ASHORE.

A large quantity, making about five cartloads, of rubber, was washed ashore this morning on the Galle Face beach, says the *Times of Ceylon* of Aug. 14th, the rubber drifting from the Galle Face Hotel point to the end of the walk. The rubber was brought to the Fort Police Station by the Police during the day. The Shipping Master was immediately informed of the find, and the Receiver of Wrecks will investigate the matter. In some of the sheets of rubber the following estate marks are just decipherable:—Kompsey Estate, Kandagama Estate, Indilande, Bentota and Blackwater.

The rubber appears to have been in the sea for a number of years and is thought not unlikely that it represents a part of the cargo carried by the Bibby, Worcestershire, which was during the war, mined off Colombo by the German raider Emden.

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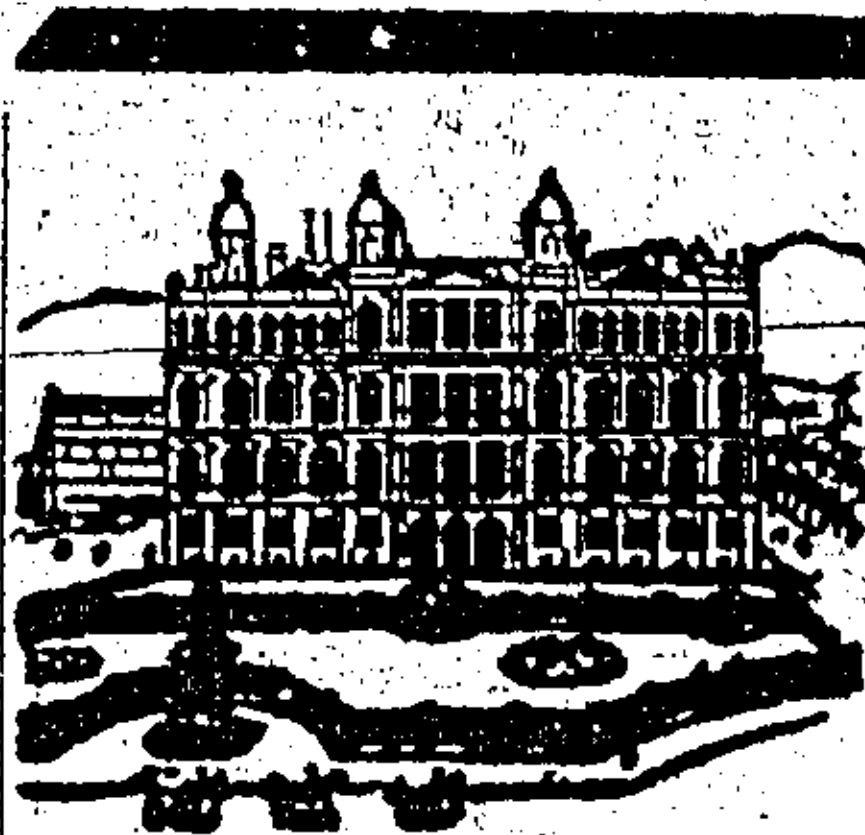
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A man had two sons, whom he weighed together on a scales. Their combined weight was 120 pounds. But when he weighed each boy separately, he found that the scales did not register below 100 pounds. How did he finally manage to find out the weight of each boy?

Yesterday's answer:

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A V E R N A L
R E G A T T A
G R A V I T Y
E N T I T L E
T A T T L E R
S L A Y E R S

The completed "word square" formed from the "hollow square" of "targets" and "slayers" is shown above. It is composed of the seven words: targets; avernall, regatta, gravity, entitle, tattler and slayers, each of which can be read from top to bottom as well as from left to right.

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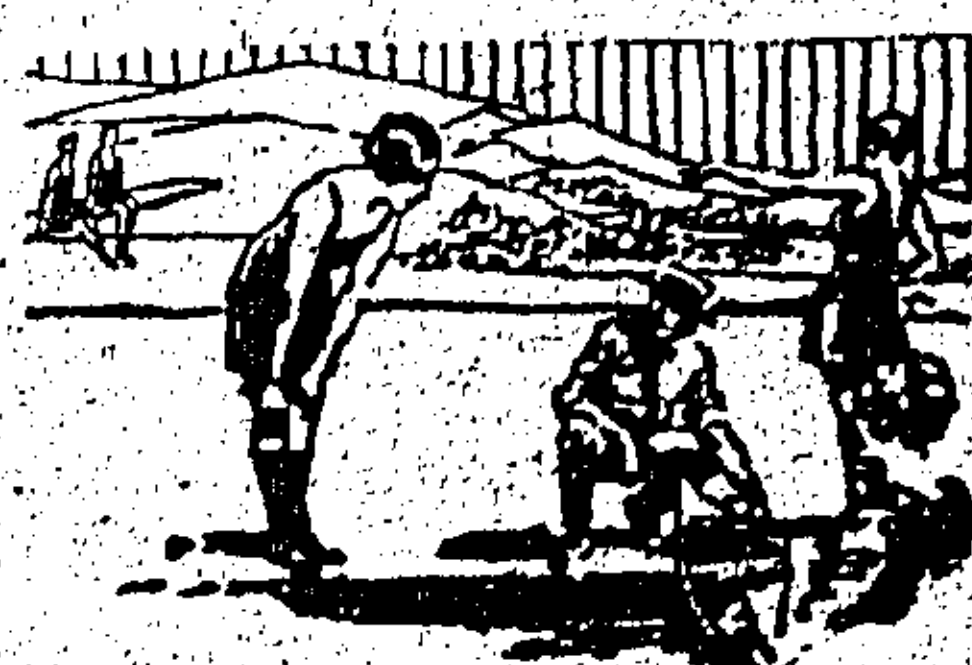
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about the cloche brim. It may
not be entirely new or it may not
look particularly exciting, but it
is smart. You can put it on
in the dark, or without a mirror
or under any adverse
circumstance, and know what you
look like.

It comes as near being the
universally becoming model as
there is. In Paris the brim has
become so small it is scarcely
visible. One gets the impression
of a little black stray or feldome
having been erected over a pretty
face, practically concealing the
hair.

SLIGHT BRIMS.

However, unless you have the
perfect features of a cameo or
an artist's dream, you will find a
slight brim more becoming and
quite as smart.

Some of the brims are out to
nothing in the back and allowed

to extend out in front like a
visor. Others are shaved quite as
short in the front as in the back
and a little width permitted at the
side—a great concession to the
broad face. Others show no
favouritism and maintain equal
width at all points.

Black veils are used on some of
the most severe models and they
may be draped to suit the features
and soften the general effect.

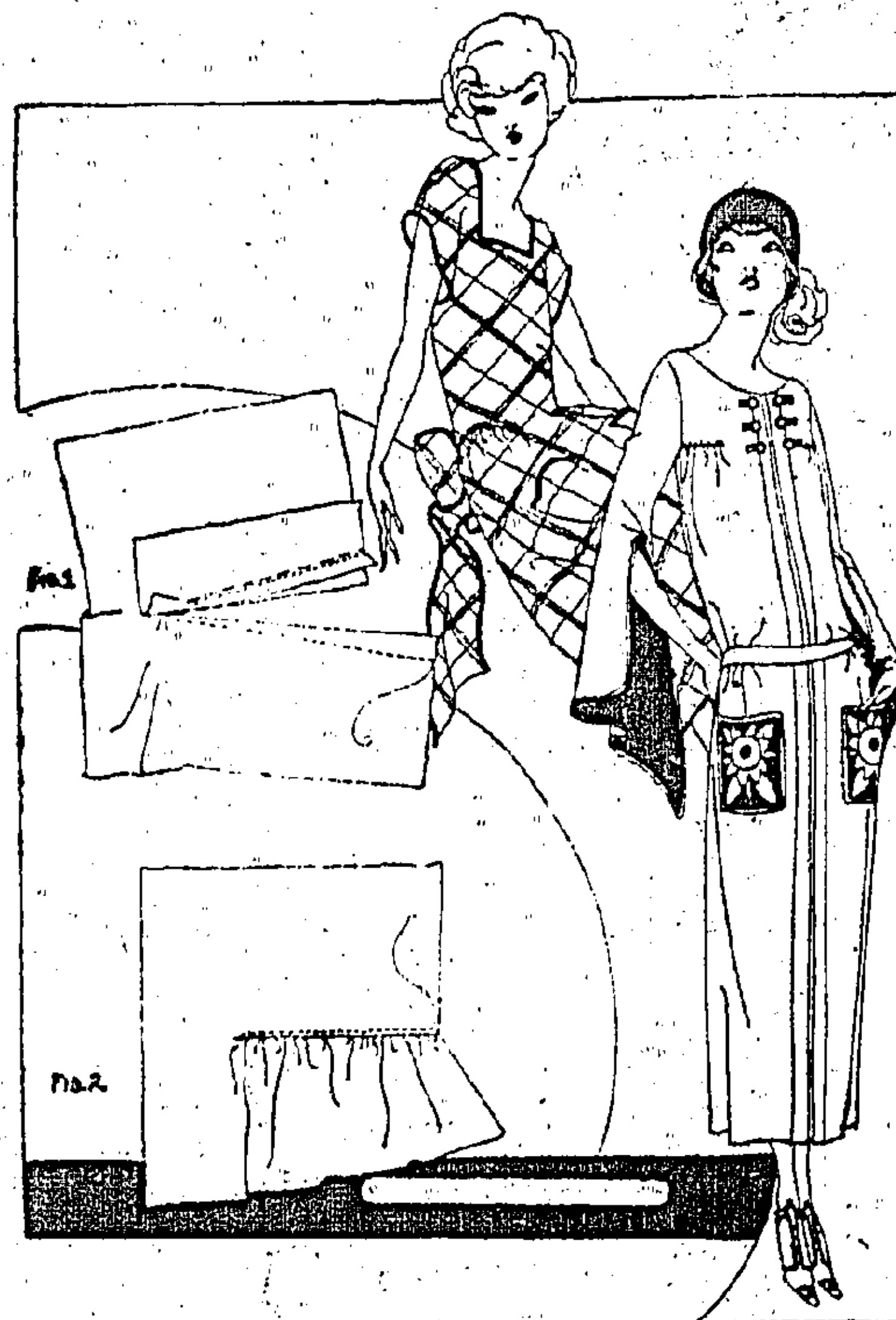
Stiff little ornaments of feathers
that closely resemble a shaving
brush, are a favourite trimming.
So are ribbon cockades or the
conventional flower, flatly
applied.

FEATHERS.

On the all-white hat one
frequently finds a band of cloudy
white feathers trailing the brim,
or long feathers fastened to the
tip of the crown with the ends
dangling below the brim, some-
times well below the shoulder
line. This latter style is at its
best, however, only on the girl
with the swan-like neck, for it
has a tendency to subtract
inches.

Practically the only alternative
of the small cloche is the very
large picture hat with little
trimming, worn only with the
rather elaborate frock.
But the smallest women are
appearing in the smallest hats.

"SLASH GATHERERS."



These dresses show how the slash gathers are used.
After the material is slashed, a thread should gather the full part.
The other half should have a strip of facing one and one-half inches
wide sewn to the upper edge of the slash on the right side of the ma-
terial as it is in Figure 1.

Then the lower edge of the slash is gathered on the seam line and
drawn up to fit the straight end on the slash. The facing is then turned
the wrong side and the edge of the facing sewn over the gathers
as in Figure 2.

HAND PAINTED CHAIR COVERS.

A charming new idea has lately
grown up in hand-painted chair
and settee fabrics and loose
covers, decorated with hand-
painted replicas of old Chinese
panels and Persian designs.

An interesting experiment of
this kind, which has evoked a
great deal of admiration, is
to be seen in a London
drawing room at the present
time. This shows curtains of
rich Chinese yellow silk hand-
painted in a flowing Chinese
design, representing exotic birds
perched on the branches of
tropical flowering shrubs. Loose

covers of the same vivid colour-
ing and design have been hand-
painted to match, and envelop the
chairs and settees alike—the
whole scheme suggesting a baze
of sunshine and warmth
that completely transforms an
otherwise dreary room with a
north aspect.

Even more original are chair-
coverings made of coarse-grained
brown or black silk painted
with exact reproductions of
early Victorian wool needle-work,
while other chairs treated in the
same way have their seats
covered with hand-painted silk
that has all the appearance of
elaborate Tudor or Queen Anne
embroidery.

WHEN WASHING COLOURED FABRICS.

Remember—

The water should not be war-
mer than new milk.

All the lathering should be
done before the article is put into
the tub.

The article should be washed
as quickly as possible.

A teaspoonful of vinegar put
into each lot of water enables
you to make the rinsing more
deliberate. Vinegar helps to fix
colours and brightens them.

The materials should not be
allowed to remain damp longer
than is absolutely necessary.

The iron used should not be
too hot. Even a moderately hot
iron will often bring about a
change of colour, but in this case
the alteration will be merely
temporary.

BEAUTIFUL BLOUSES.

The latest blouses are of
the over-blouse type made
of georgette with three-
quarter sleeves and collars
which, fitting high to the
neck behind, open in front
over waistcoat trimmings
carried out in self-coloured
braiding, which is con-
tinued all round the out-
side basque.

Other models that carry
out this same waistcoat
effect are made of fine
white washing silk, with
long reverse waistcoat-
fronts and an overbelt of
boldly striped pyjama silk.

Crepe de Chine and
crepe-georgette blouses
made with pin-tucked
fronts, and finished with
little Peter Pan collars
edged with real lace, are
very new and youthful
looking.

Jumper blouses of hand-
painted faille silk, which
show Chinese designs on a
parochial coloured back-
ground, are also counted
exceedingly smart and
new; copies of these, most
expensive models being
sometimes made in fine
silk braiding or coloured
Chinese silk embroidery.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

Jelly Cake.

Required: 12lb. of caster sugar,
4oz. of butter or margarine, 1/2lb.
of flour, 4 eggs, about a gill of
milk, 1/2 teaspoonful of baking
powder. Beat the butter and
sugar to a cream, add the eggs
one by one, beating each in well,
stir in the flour and milk
alternately. Spread the mixture
smoothly on a Swiss roll tin lined
with greased paper and bake in a
moderate oven from 10 to 15
minutes. When cold, cut in half
and spread a fruit puree over one-
half, press the other on the top,
and coat with jelly icing.

BEJEWELLED COIFFURE.



This headpiece of platinum and
pearls is not, as you might suspect,
a device to cover up an uneven
part, but is the very latest acces-
sory to wear with your even-
ing frock.

A NOTEBOOK.

The newest and most effective
form of trimming, both for cotton
and crepe de Chine gowns, shows
yokes, belts, and side panels made
entirely of the material, hand-fa-
got stitched in a very bold manner
which gives the appearance of a
mixture between applique and
drawnthread work.

Black kid gloves, trimmed with
black lace gauntlets, are one of
the latest frocks of fashion
launched by Parisian elegantes.

Costume suits reveal artistic
blouse tops of crepe of contrasting
colour. Short box coats or jackets
enriched with embroidery are
made of twill and worn over
pleated skirts of heavy crepe
fabrics.

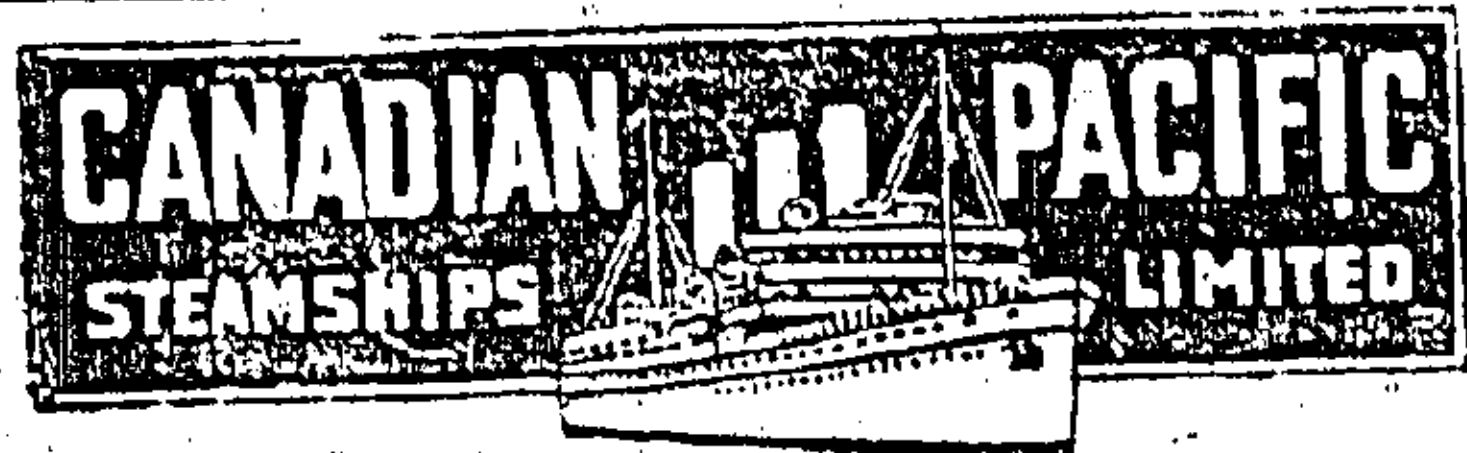
ANY KIND OF BOW.



Little bows at the neck, butterfly bows on the arm, bustle bows, tiny
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Sept. 30	Oct. 7	Emp. of Scotland	Nov. 16
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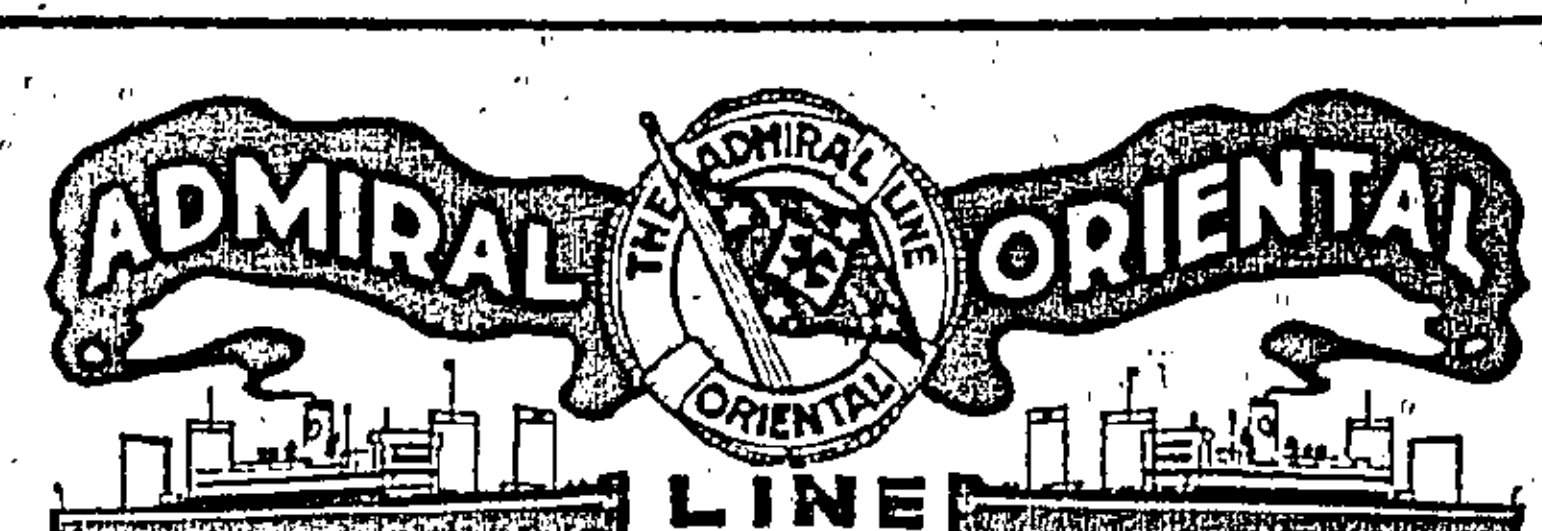
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R. RODENFUSER

Acting agent. Hongkong, 30th August, 1923.

DANCING.

And Looking On.

It is not only among birds that the courted female gazes with interest at the dancing of the male; we see it in all public dancing. This is one of the instances where visual play is as important as movement, for even among the participants pleasure is heightened by the exciting spectacle of the other dancers, and it is true the world over that spectators of a dance always become as passionately aroused as do the performers themselves. The piercing thrills with which the women of some negro tribes at intervals accompany the dance of the males are surely not merely invitations to the latter, but indications as well of their own excitement. For this reason many onlookers are impelled to keep time with the rhythmic dance by clicking the tongue or clapping the hands.

The solo dances of primitive peoples presuppose an onlooking public more than mass dances do. Among bushmen and E-kimos the men dance, while Australian women do it sometimes alone, sometimes in companies.

As Schiller held—

"It is the godlike power of harmony

Which orders wild motions to the quiet social dance,

And like a Nemesis, with the golden reins of rhythm,

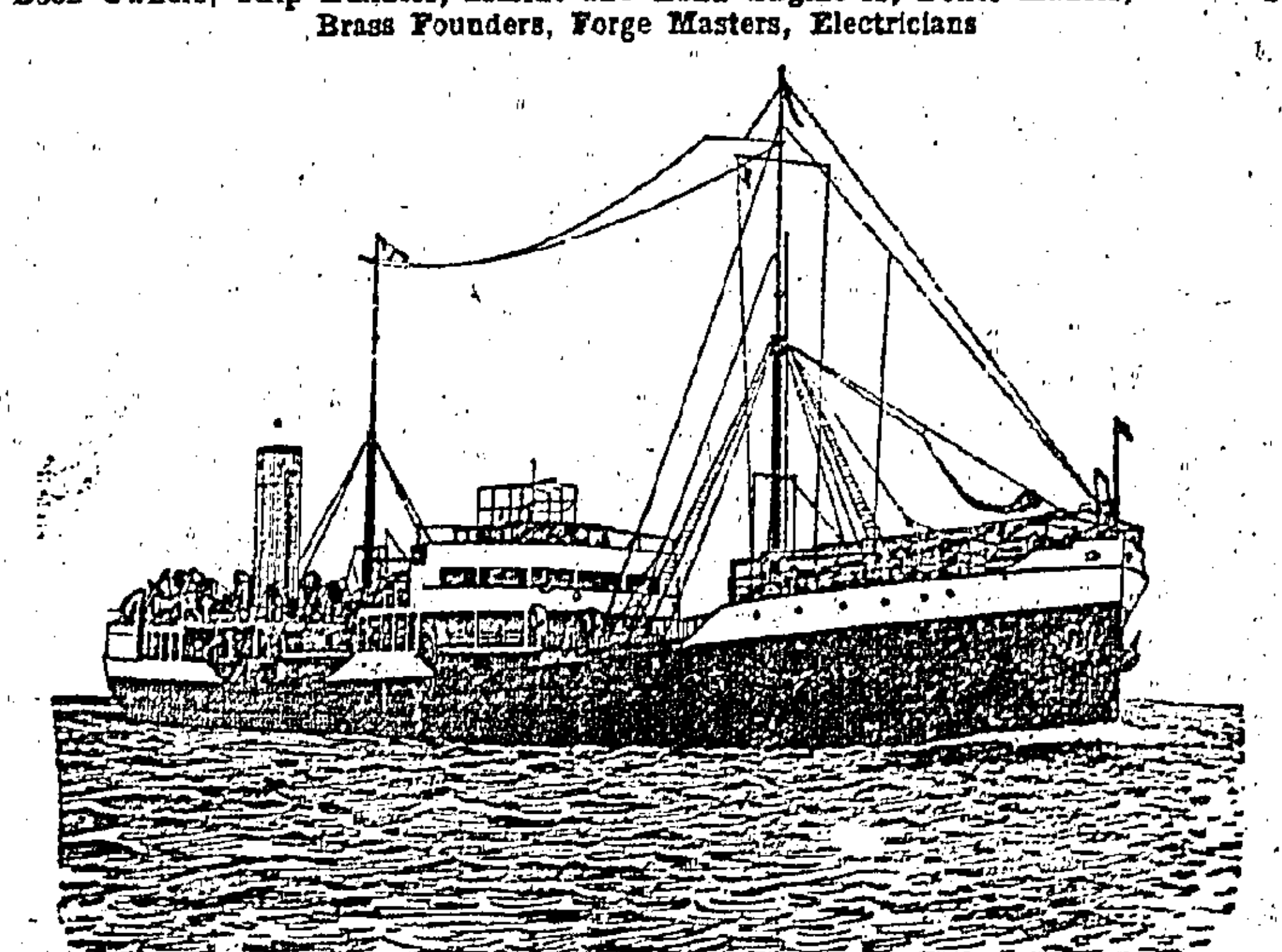
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COLONIAL GEOGRAPHY.

And Ministerial Ignorance.

Sir Frank Swettenham is justifiably sarcastic in *The Times* on Lord Linlithgow's announcement about the Singapore scheme that "the Federated Malay States had decided to make a free gift of the land required," and that "there was a considerable chance that there might be further contributions forthcoming from the other Dominions." Singapore is one of the Straits Settlements, while the Federated Malay States consist of Perak, Selangor, Negri Sembilan (which means Nine States), and Pahang. The Straits Settlements is a Crown Colony, and the Federated States are under British protection; the Governor of the one being also High Commissioner of the second. Neither, of course, has any claim to be classed as a "Dominion."

But geography has never been the strong point of English statesmen. Disraeli, in charge of the India Office at the time of the Mutiny, started the House with the information that Delhi was on the Ganges; and the Duke of Newcastle was slow to be persuaded that Cape Breton was an island. "Dear me, so it is!" he said, on being confronted with the map. "I must go and tell the King that Cape Breton is an island."

The little French colony of Chandernagore, near Calcutta, owes its existence to the Foreign Office belief that it was in America. Then there is the story of Palmerston, who, on forming a new Ministry, found great difficulty in filling the Colonial Office. At last he said to Sir Arthur Helps, "I suppose I must take the thing myself. Come upstairs and show me where these places are on the map." When citizens of the State of Kansas sent a note of condolence on the death of Queen Victoria, a reply was sent thanking them for their "loyalty," the sender evidently believing Kansas to be a British Colony. And most of us recall the wicked stories of confusion between Silasia and Cilicia at the Paris Conference. Lord Randolph Churchill's "damned dots" have plenty of analogies on the geographical side. — *Observer*

WEATHER REPORT.

Sept. 5d. 11h. 50m.—Pressure has increased slightly at Hongkong and Shanghai and decreased slightly over S. Formosa and the Visayas.

A depression lies over S.W. China.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 78.62 inches, against an average of 67.55 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

- District Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamook.
3 H.K. to Gap Rock.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
H.K. Observatory, Sept. 5, 1913.

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Hongkong September 5, 1923.

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Telegraphic Communication with Oap Rock light-house has been restored.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Liangchow	5th Sept
Manila	Pres. Grant	5th
Europe via Suez Letters & Papers	Karnala	6th
London 9th Aug. & Parcel 1st Aug	Liangchow	6th
Shanghai	Yingchow	7th
Shanghai	Nagano M.	7th
U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln	7th
Shanghai	Macedonia	8th
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Madison	9th
Shanghai	Szechuan	9th
Bombay	Sido M.	13th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Shanghai, Amoy & Keelung	Taiwa M.	Thurs. 6 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Peking & Hsiphong	Xiang M. No. 1	Thurs. 6 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Hoikow, Peking & Hsiphong	Yunnan	Thurs. 6 inst. 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., O.	Parcels 5th 5 p.m.	
& South America & Europe via Vancouver B.O.	Emp. of Asia	Thurs. 6 inst.
	Registration	9.15 a.m.
	Letters	10 a.m.
Hoikow	Chinbin	Thurs. 6 inst. 10 a.m.
Hoikow & Hsiphong	Prosper	Thurs. 6 inst. 2 p.m.
Hoikow, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., O.	Licang	Thurs. 6 inst. 5 p.m.
& S. America & Europe via Victoria B.O.	Parcels 6th 5 p.m.	
	Pres. Grant	Thurs. 6 inst.
	Registration	5 p.m.
	Letters	7th 8.30 a.m.
	(Due Victoria B.O. 26th Sept.)	
Szechuan	Loksaug	Fri. 7 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Win. sang	Fri. 7 inst. 2 p.m.
Hoikow & Bangkok	Karnala	Fri. 7 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, & Bombay	Chungsoo	Fri. 7 inst. 5 p.m.
Szechuan, Amoy & Foochow	Parcels noon	
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, & Bombay	Registration	5 p.m.
Szechuan, Amoy & Foochow	Letters	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	(Due Marseilles 6th Oct.)	
	Ship sails at midnight 7th Sept.	
Manila	Pres. Lincoln	Sat. 8 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Tyosodai	Sat. 8 inst. 3 p.m.
Szechuan, Amoy & Foochow	Haifong	Sun. 9 inst. 9 a.m.
Szechuan, Amoy & Foochow	Hsiphong	Sun. 9 inst. 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Madison	Mon. 10 inst. 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, & Bombay	Oaska M.	Tues. 11 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Szechuan, Amoy & Foochow	Haichang	Tues. 11 inst. noon.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Fushimi M.	Wed. 12 inst.
	Registration	8.45 a.m.
	Letters	9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 13th Oct.)	
Shanghai	Kitaso M.	Wed. 12 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Japan	Yoshino M.	Thurs. 13 inst. 10 a.m.
Szechuan, Amoy & Foochow	Haichang	Fri. 14 inst. noon.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Tango M.	Wed. 19 inst.
	Registration	8.45 a.m.
	Letters	9.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday 15 30th Sept.)	

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SOMEWHAT AT SEA.
The Squire's daughter (after reading a letter from cottager's son) remarked: "And what will you do with the striped kimono your son says he's sending home? Rustic mother. 'You may well ask, missie. I suppose I'll have to put it in one of the pig-sties, but what I'm going to feed it of goodness only knows.'"

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